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ACGM continues as nonformal, unorganized group whose associates have dropped to approximately 85. Only 1 deportation effected in group in past two years. Attempt at part organization within ACGM failed. ACGM associates are generally employed and reside mainly in Mexico, D. F.; Guadalajara, Jalisco; San Miguel de Allende, Guanajuato; Cuernavaca, Morelos; and Jalapa, Veracruz. Three associates, MARGARET and ALBERT MALTZ and [redacted] have journeyed to Russia in past two years, and although all were slightly disillusioned, they remain ardent communists. Residence addresses and employments set out for continuing and new associates. Names of former associates set out.

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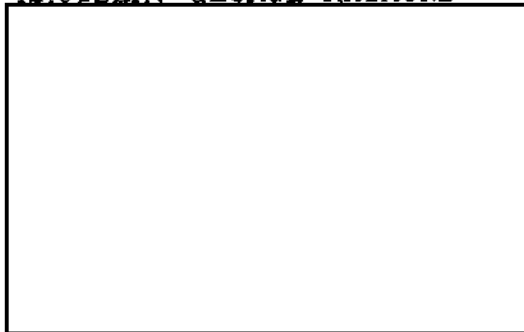
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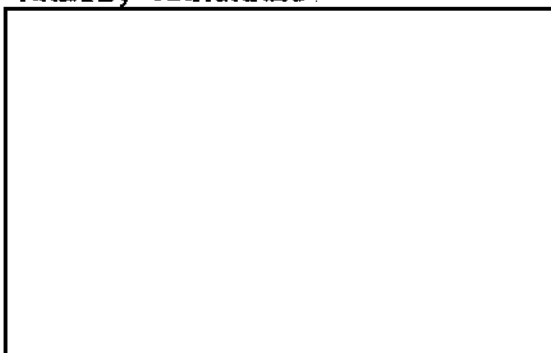


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I. STATUS OF AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP
IN MEXICO (ACGM)

Unless otherwise stated, information concerning
organization of the ACGM was furnished by T-1:

A. Organization

The ACGM, which is composed of approximately
eighty-five adults, does not have a formal organization.
There are no formal meetings and the ACGM has no officers
and there are no formal aims of the organization. T-1
has stated that the ACGM is a loosely knit group of people
who reside principally in Mexico, D. F.; Jalapa, Veracruz;
San Miguel de Allende, Guanajuato; Cuernavaca, Morelos;
and Guadalajara, Jalisco.

According to T-1, the persons who are considered
as associates of the ACGM are knit together mainly on a
social basis and the group is composed of individuals who
have been or are members of the Communist Party, USA (CP, USA)
and, in addition, friends and associates who share a common
sympathy for communism and the Soviet Union.

T-1 stated that in the past SAMUEL BROOKS has
been the principal authority within the group and has been
able to maintain contact between the various members of
the group. However, SAMUEL BROOKS has in the recent past

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suffered two heart attacks and, as a consequence, his association with other persons in the group has been less frequent. T-1 stated that SAMUEL BROOKS is still considered as the principal authority of the group in spite of his recent ill health.

T-1 stated in July 1959 that a meeting was held during that month in Mexico, D. F., by the principal associates of the ACGM at the [redacted] residence. This meeting was attended by [redacted] SAMUEL BROOKS, FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, SAMUEL J. NOVICK, and others. At the meeting arrangements were discussed concerning the creation of an emergency fund to provide for legal fees and hardship cases that might occur within the ACGM. The persons present agreed that a donation of 500 pesos (\$40 U.S.) per month by each of the family heads attending would be accepted until a total of 60,000 pesos (\$4,800 U.S.) should be collected to compose this fund. It was further decided that an Executive Committee would be selected to resolve matters of importance concerning this fund and to determine when additional contributions should be made. It was agreed by the persons in attendance that associates of the ACGM or other "loyal progressives" who might find themselves "in trouble politically" would be in a position to receive assistance from the fund.

T-1 stated that although these decisions were reached, the plan fell apart because of disagreement among some of the persons attending the meeting. At the close of this meeting, SAMUEL J. NOVICK made a statement that the associates of this group were not formally organized and were not members of the CP,USA and, therefore, were not under CP,USA discipline.

T-1 advised that subsequent to this, there have been no other attempts of organization within the ACGM.

The CP,USA, its subdivisions, subsidiaries, and affiliates have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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B. Deportations

T-1 has advised on various occasions that there have been rumors among the associates of the ACGM that the Mexican Government intends to engage in wholesale arrests of the associates, but there have been no such arrests during the past two years.

T-2 advised in November 1960 that [redacted] arrived in Mexico City on October 14, 1960, following a visit of several months to Havana, Cuba. T-2 stated that upon his arrival on that date at the International Airport in Mexico, D. F., [redacted] was notified by Mexican officials that he had been deemed an undesirable alien and could only remain in Mexico for a period of five days to arrange his personal business before departing Mexico again. T-2 stated that the records of the Immigration Department of the Mexican Ministry of Government reflect that [redacted] left the International Airport at Mexico, D. F., on October 19, 1960, bound for Havana, Cuba. This source stated there is a notation in the immigration file that [redacted] would not be readmitted. [redacted] joined her husband in Havana, Cuba, in the latter part of 1960.

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C. November 1960 Presidential Election

T-1 stated it was the general consensus within the ACGM that neither RICHARD NIXON nor JOHN KENNEDY, the candidates for President of the United States, was acceptable. T-1 stated that shortly prior to the November election at a small gathering of the ACGM, a secret ballot was cast by each individual in attendance indicating his preference between NIXON and KENNEDY. There were approximately twelve ballots cast, eleven of which were for KENNEDY and one for NIXON, the latter ballot having been cast by CHARLES SMOLIKOFF.

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D. Funds

T-1 has advised that the only person within the ACGM who has in the past two years constantly collected funds for communist causes has been [redacted]. These collections on the part of [redacted] were almost without exception collections for causes sponsored by the Partido Comunista Mexicano (Communist Party of Mexico) (PCM). T-1 stated that [redacted] had in November 1960 made a collection among the various associates of the ACGM on behalf of DAVID ALFARO SIQUEIROS, member of the Political Commission of the Central Committee of the PCM and a renown Mexican artist who was then incarcerated by the Mexican Government.

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The published statutes of the PCM state, "The Communist Party of Mexico has as its final objectives to construct socialism and to build the communist society in Mexico."

T-3 advised in late 1960 that [redacted] and [redacted] who reside in [redacted] were in November 1960 making a collection for the purpose of assisting the Local 18 Strike Committee at Kellogg, Idaho.

T-1 advised that in late 1959 CHARLES SMOLIKOFF who owns a gift shop in Mexico, D. F., was selling Christmas cards, the proceeds of which were to be given to the "Guatemalan underground". T-1 explained that SMOLIKOFF, although he kept these Christmas cards in the store, did not openly sell them in the presence of customers who were not associates of the ACGM. T-1 stated the Christmas cards had been prepared and donated for this cause by [redacted]

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[redacted] and several other artists who are associated with the Taller de Grafica Popular (Popular Art Shop) (TGP).

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T-1 explained that the TGP is composed of a group of artists who are mainly communists or communist sympathizers and which group cooperates closely with the PCM. T-1 further advised that the TGP has been honored by the Soviet Government and that the TGP cooperates in the distribution of Soviet propaganda.

T-1 stated that MARGARET MALTZ, wife of ALBERT MALTZ, had made the comment in late 1959 that the "Mexico City group" had been under fire in Communist Party circles in New York City because the ACGM had not contributed substantially to the various Party fund drives in the United States.

E. Cuba

T-1 and T-3 have advised that the sympathies of the associates of the ACGM have been overwhelmingly in support of FIDEL CASTRO RUZ, the Premier of the Cuban Government. T-3 has advised that ANDERS OVERGAARD, who is a former associate of the ACGM now residing in Europe, has made the statement that the next most important activity of the international communist movement is to gain a foothold in Latin America. U
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T-1 advised that during the days of the abortive attempt to invade Cuba by anti-CASTRO forces in April 1961 it was the hope of the associates of the ACGM that this counterrevolution would fail. T-1 stated that following the failure of the counterrevolution various associates of the ACGM were joyful because of this failure.

F. Travel Within the USSR

T-1 advised that ALBERT and MARGARET MALTZ left Mexico, D. F., in April 1959 for a tour of Europe and Israel. T-1 advised that the MALTZes subsequently returned to Mexico, D. F., in late summer of 1959. This source stated that the tour of the MALTZes had included visits to Czechoslovakia.

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MEXICO Poland, Russia, and Israel. Among persons they visited were [redacted] MAXIM LIEBER in Poland, and ALFRED and MARTHA STERN in Czechoslovakia. T-1 pointed out that each of these individuals is a former associate of the ACGM. *U.S.*

T-1 advised that a small party was held at the MALTZ home in early August 1959 and at the party ALBERT MALTZ gave a lecture on their trip. In this lecture MALTZ furnished his observations on the progress of the communist system in Russia and in certain satellite countries of Russia. It was the opinion of ALBERT MALTZ that Russia had not handled the occupation of Germany well and, as a result, the Soviets were not well liked in East Germany. MALTZ explained that the Soviets had robbed, raped, and destroyed more than other occupying forces in Europe. This statement of MALTZ was challenged by ASA ZATZ and MALTZ explained that he was making a comparison between the occupation forces of Russia and the Allied forces. MALTZ said that he, as a member of the Writers Union in Moscow, had been able to talk to a number of Party members in Moscow and that these latter persons expressed concern that the situation under KHRUSHCHEV might develop to a point that it would be the same as it had been under STALIN. These writers also, according to MALTZ, stated that CP recruits among Russian youths had dropped off and that there was also a serious problem of juvenile delinquency in Russia.

MALTZ explained that Poland was a danger spot because the Poles were genuinely enthusiastic about Americans and despised Russians. MALTZ said that he had been accepted warmly in Poland because he was an American until it was found out that he was a communist. MALTZ said that the Polish people booed and spit at Russian troops on the streets. It was MALTZ's opinion that although there were bad spots in the overall socialist movement as he had observed it in Russia and other Iron Curtain countries that he visited, he was of the belief the socialist movement would prove itself if given time. MALTZ indicated that he was realistic in his approach to the communist movement but that he was still pro-communist and a pro-Soviet idealist.

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T-4 advised that [] departed Mexico, D. F., on August 17, 1960, to make a tour of Russia and Israel. This source advised [] returned to Mexico, D. F., on October 6, 1960. T-1 stated that the main purpose of [] visit was to be with his elderly parents who reside in Israel. T-1 stated that [] had observed that the mechanical ability and the mechanical products in Russia were not as good as prevailed in the United States and Western Europe. [] also observed that the Russians, in his opinion, were terrified concerning the possibility of another world war and were convinced that should this take place it would be precipitated by the United States.

According to T-1, [] was somewhat disillusioned by the limitation on individual civil rights in Russia but he defended this lack of civil rights on the basis that only forty years had elapsed since Russia formed a new communist state in a feudal country where the populace was mainly composed of peasants without formal education. [] expressed an opinion that in time the limitation on civil rights in Russia would be eliminated.

G. Literature and Propaganda

T-1 advised that during the past two years the ACGM has not engaged in any sort of propaganda activity nor produced or distributed any literature.

H. Summer School, University of Veracruz

T-5 has advised that LINI STOUMEN (commonly known as LINI DeVRIES in Jalapa, Veracruz) is the Executive Secretary of the School for Foreign Students, University of Veracruz, in Jalapa. He stated that STOUMEN is very friendly with various of the professors at the University. He further advised that one of the alumni of the University of Veracruz is [] a friend of STOUMEN's, and who of recent date was one of the more prominent demonstrators in a pro-Cuban, anti-United States demonstration.

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T-5 also advised that STOUMEN and [] had organized a small group of persons which met in front of the curio store operated by STOUMEN and had shouted pro-Cuban and anti-United States slogans.

T-6 advised in June 1961 that STOUMEN had made statements that she had formerly been a member of the CP, USA but was not now a member.

T-7 advised in July 1961 that the summer school for foreign students at the University of Veracruz had the reputation in Jalapa as being a meeting place for American students who were more interested in discussing communism than in the study of Spanish. According to T-3, STOUMEN is known in Jalapa as a communist and never ceases to denounce the United States, the capitalist system, and continually expresses communist ideas. T-3 also said that many of the students who had attended the past sessions of the University of Veracruz Summer School had been handpicked by STOUMEN.

I. International Brigade Activities

T-1 advised that [] residents of Cuernavaca, Morelos, were members of the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade and had been invited to attend the 25th reunion of the International Brigade which had engaged in the Civil War in Spain on behalf of the Spanish Republic. T-1 stated there had been some discussion prior to the holding of the 25th reunion as to possible meeting places and [] favored Mexico City as the locale of the reunion. T-1 advised however that the reunion was held from July 15-20, 1961, in East Berlin. T-1 stated [] sent a greeting to the reunion inasmuch as he could not attend because of ill health.

In this connection, T-1 stated that the Secretary of State of the Spanish Government in exile, FERNANDO VALERA APARICIO, was believed to have had an interview with [] in which he stated that he was in Mexico to counter any ill opinion which he anticipated would be a reaction from the right-wing Spanish veterans in the Americas because the meeting was being held in East Berlin. VALERA APARICIO reportedly

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told [] that he, VALERA APARICIO, would travel extensively throughout the Western Hemisphere in order to keep the brigades together.

T-1 said that [], upon learning belatedly that the 25th reunion was to be held in East Berlin, had called a meeting of all the International Brigade members in Cuernavaca to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the International Brigade. This meeting was held on July 15, 1961, at Cuernavaca.

J. Changes within the ACGM

T-1 and T-2 have advised of various changes which have occurred within the ACGM. Some of these changes have been former associates of the ACGM who have left Mexico and other changes have been additions to the group. The next section of this report lists the associates of the group and their residences, as well as a list of those who have recently departed from Mexico and who are no longer considered as associates of the ACGM.

II. NAMES, ADDRESSES, AND EMPLOYMENT
OF CONTINUING ASSOCIATES OF THE ACGM

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T-8 advised that [] resides at [], and is self-employed as []

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T-1 advised [] resides at [] and is employed in the business known as "Precisa, S. A.," located at Versailles 50, Mexico, D. F. He also has a summer place near Valle del Bravo, State of Mexico, according to T-1. (It will be noted that SAMUEL BROOKS is also interested in the company "Precisa, S. A.")

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T-3 advised [redacted] resides at a boarding house known as Casa Sauto which is located in San Miguel de Allende, Guanajuato, Mexico. He is reported to be employed as an English teacher.

[redacted]
T-1 advised the [redacted] reside at [redacted]
[redacted] Source stated [redacted]
is a schoolteacher at San Luis Potosi Branch of Mexico City College, Mexico, D. F., and [redacted]
of the company known as "Foto Ilustrativo", Calle Augusto Rodin 31, Mexico, D. F.

[redacted]
T-9 advised the [redacted] reside at [redacted]
[redacted], where he is employed as an artist and she as a housewife.

[redacted]
T-1 advised that [redacted] had returned to reside in San Francisco, California, as of June 1, 1961, on a permanent basis. This source further advised at a later date that [redacted] had returned to Mexico on a short visit in August 1961. At the time of the writing of this report, subsequent information has not been received as to whether [redacted] had departed from Mexico or intended to reside in Mexico, D. F. further. T-1 advised that [redacted] usual occupation is that of a [redacted]
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T-10 advised the [REDACTED] reside at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], at which address both of the [REDACTED] are engaged in
an invisible weaving business known as "Tejidos Invisibles,
S. A. de R. L."

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T-1 advised that [REDACTED] residence is [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], and her employment is that
of a clothes, costume and set designer for theatrical productions.

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T-8 advised [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED]

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Source stated [REDACTED] is self-employed as a
drawing teacher for classes held at his home. T-1 stated
[REDACTED] a seminar at the National Autonomous
University of Mexico on Saturday afternoons in Mexico, D. F.

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SAMUEL BROOKS, aka Sam Tilden, Señor Arroyo;

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T-1 stated the BROOKSes reside at Calle Campos
Eliseos No. 232, Mexico, D. F. T-1 advised [REDACTED] is
a teacher at the Nueva Escuela (New School), 2600 Paseo de
la Reforma, Mexico, D. F., and SAMUEL BROOKS is the general

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manager of the company known as "Precisa, S. A." Versailles 50, Mexico, D. F., which company is engaged in the marketing of Czechoslovakian and East German products. T-1 advised SAMUEL BROOKS has had in the last year two major heart attacks but appears to be in good health at the present time.

[REDACTED]

T-2 advised the [REDACTED] reside at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] T-2 stated [REDACTED] by the "Compania de Luz y Fuerza Motriz" (power company), Mexico, D. F., and [REDACTED] is a housewife.

[REDACTED]

T-11 advised [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] where she is a housewife and reportedly is the [REDACTED] of Dr. LEO ELOESSER.

[REDACTED]

T-3 advised the [REDACTED] reside at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and that [REDACTED] is self-employed as an artist and his wife as a housewife.

[REDACTED]

T-12 advised [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Source stated [REDACTED] at the company known as "Trans-Lab," Calzada de la Vega No. 590, Delegacion Ixtapalapa. T-2 advised [REDACTED] had been granted by the Mexican Immigration Service under date of December 4, 1957, the status of permanent immigrant to Mexico.

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[redacted]
T-8 advised the [redacted] reside at [redacted]
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[redacted] in the investment business which he
operates himself and [redacted] is a housewife.

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Dr. LEO ELOESSER

T-11 advised ELOESSER resides [redacted]
above-mentioned, at Ejido de San Miguel, Tacambaro, Michoacan,
Mexico, and also maintains a residence at Calle Codalles
Norte No. 23, Tacambaro. Source stated ELOESSER operates
an acreage on which he raises vegetables and fruits and that
he also gives free medical service to the natives in that
area.

FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD;

[redacted]
T-1 advised the FIELDS continue to reside at Calle
Loma de la Palma No. 215, Colonia Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D. F.
Source stated FIELD is independently wealthy and owns a
company in Mexico, D. F., known as "Compania de Promociones
e Inversiones de Mexico, S. A.," Calle Londres 87, Office No.
201, and also takes an active interest in the Nueva Escuela
(New School), 2600 Paseo de la Reforma, Mexico, D. F. [redacted]
[redacted] is a housewife.

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T-10 advised that [redacted] resides at [redacted]
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T-3 advised [redacted] is at the present time selling
personal effects and attempting to sub-rent her apartment
in preparation for a permanent move to Spain. T-13 advised
[redacted] had renounced her United States citizenship on
April 30, 1958, as she had previously recorded herself as a
citizen of Spain.

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T-14 advised [redacted] resides at [redacted]
(no number), [redacted]
and is a teacher of English at the Youth Center at Zapopan.

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T-15 advised [redacted] resides at [redacted]
[redacted] and
she is a housewife.

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T-15 advised [redacted] resides at [redacted]
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and is self-employed at that address as a writer and translator.

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MR. [redacted] HAYWOOD HALL, aka Harry Haywood,
Harry Howard Hall, Raymond Hall,
Harry Hulswood;

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T-17 advised that the [redacted] presently reside
at the [redacted] and they
have no known employment. It will be noted that the [redacted]
recently returned to Mexico from the United States.

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T-13 advised that the [redacted] reside at [redacted]
[redacted] (Address Known). T-16 advised
that the [redacted] operate a fabric weaving mill in Uruapan.

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T-13 advised [redacted] permanent address is [redacted]
[redacted] but she is presently in Israel exhibiting photographs
taken in Mexico. T-12 advised [redacted] receives a pension from

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her son in the United States and that she is self-employed as a professional photographer.

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T-17 advised [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED] and is employed as a teacher at the Swiss-American Institute in the same city.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

T-1 advised the [REDACTED] reside at [REDACTED]

Source stated that [REDACTED] of the company known as "Silmex", located at Calle 16 de Septiembre No. 10, and [REDACTED] is a housewife.

ALBERT MALTZ;
MARGARET MALTZ, nee Margaret Larkin,
aka Mrs. Albert Maltz

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T-1 advised the MALTZes reside at Calle Simon Yarto No. 14, San Angel Inn, Mexico, D. F., and both MALTZes are self-employed as writers.

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T-17 advised [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED] is unemployed but receives alimony from her ex-husband who lives in the United States.

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T-1 advised the [REDACTED] reside at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] T-1 stated [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] is self-employed as a [REDACTED]
of sculpture at San Carlos Academy at Mexico, D. F. This
source stated [REDACTED] is self-employed as an artist
and painter.

[REDACTED]

T-1 advised [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] where he is retired.
T-1 stated [REDACTED] and is presently living off
[REDACTED] "Let No Man Write My Epitaph".

[REDACTED]

T-14 advised [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] where she is engaged in assisting
in the direction of an orphan school and farm.

MRS. SAMUEL J. NOVICK:

SAMUEL

J. NOVICK

T-12 advised that the NOVICKs reside at Avenida
Cedros No. 29, Colonia San Angel, Mexico, D. F. T-12
stated NOVICK is manager of the company known as "Super
Winchester de Mexico, S. A.", which is located at Kilometer
12½ on the Mexico City-Puebla Highway. T-1 advised that
the company "Super Winchester of Mexico, S. A." has been sold
by NOVICK to an East German concern but NOVICK continues as
the manager of the concern, and [REDACTED]

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T-13 advised that ^{MRS} SAMUEL J. NOVICK was divorced
from [redacted]
to [redacted] at Mexico, D. F.

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T-10 advised the [redacted] reside at [redacted]
[redacted], and [redacted]
[redacted] of the company "Artefactos
Mexicanos, S. A.," located at Azcopotzalco, D. F., and
[redacted] is a housewife.

GEORGE PEPPER;

[redacted]

T-1 advised the PEPPERS reside at Calle Rio Elba
No. 21, Apartment 3, Colonia Cuauhtemoc, Mexico, D. F.,
and GEORGE PEPPER is production agent of the company known
as "Producciones Olmeca, S. A.", which is a movie-producing
company. Source stated [redacted]

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T-3 advised the [redacted] reside at [redacted]
[redacted] and both are part-
time students at the Instituto Allende at San Miguel de
Allende and [redacted] receives a pension from the
United States.

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T-1 advised that the [redacted] reside at [redacted]
[redacted], and at that address [redacted]
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T-12 advised the [REDACTED] reside at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and that
the [REDACTED] a weaving business at Calle
Colima No. 320, Mexico, D. F.

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T-12 advised the [REDACTED] reside at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] T-12 stated
[REDACTED] "Joyeria de Fantama, S. A.,"
located at Calle Caballocalco No. 22, Altos Delegacion de
Coyoacan, Mexico, D. F., and [REDACTED] occupies herself
as a housewife.

[REDACTED]

T-18 advised that [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], and has no
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T-11 stated [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] This source stated
that [REDACTED] present occupation or employment is unknown
but previously [REDACTED] has engaged himself in making short
term loans to local Mexicans for which he received a high
rate of interest.

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T-14 advised that the [REDACTED] reside at [REDACTED]
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where [redacted] works on a chicken ranch formerly owned by [redacted] sometimes aids her husband in operation of this ranch.

T-3 advised [redacted] is self-employed as a writer and resides at [redacted]. This source stated that [redacted] was divorced from [redacted] on February 27, 1961, and married [redacted] at that city on March 1, 1961.

T-3 advised that [redacted] is residing near the University of Mexico, Mexico, D. F., which university she is reportedly attending. Her mailing address is [redacted]

T-3 stated that [redacted] was divorced from [redacted] in Mexico on February 27, 1961.

T-4 advised the address of the [redacted] is [redacted]

T-1 has stated that [redacted] is self-employed as an English teacher and [redacted] is a travel agent.

T-14 advised that the exact address of [redacted] in Mexico is unknown at the present time and that [redacted] was last known to reside at [redacted] and [redacted] has in the recent past made a visit to this place although he does not now reside there. T-14 stated that

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[redacted] present employment is unknown and he was last known to be employed in the State of Jalisco as a teacher of music and English to the natives.

[redacted]
T-9 advised [redacted] resides at [redacted]

T-9 advised [redacted] is employed as [redacted]
"Compania Manufacturas de Calidad," Kilometer 16½ Laredo Highway, Mexico, D. F.

CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF aka
Charles Small, Charles Boline,
Charles Carter, Charles Dorraine,
Martin Kirkland, Charles Smith,
Charles N. Smoliloff, Frank Stevens;

CHARLES SMOLIKOFF

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T-4 advised the SMOLIKOFFs reside at Calle Mariscal No. 98, San Angel Inn, Mexico, D. F., and CHARLES SMOLIKOFF operates a gift shop known as "Ricardo Rodriguez, S. A.," Calle Niza 47, Mexico, D. F., and [redacted]

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LINI MOERKERK STOUMEN, nee
Lini Moerkerk, aka Lini DeVries

T-5 advised STOUMEN resides at Calle Roa Barcena No. 1, Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico, and she is self-employed as the operator of a curio store in Jalapa known as "Tianguis" and is also the Executive Secretary of the School for Foreign Students at the University of Veracruz in Jalapa, which school is a summer school.

MORRIS HARRY SWADESH

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SWADESH

T-12 advised SWADESH resides [redacted]

[redacted] T-1 advised that SWADESH is a professor at the University of Mexico at Mexico, D. F., and his wife occupies [redacted]

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herself as a housewife. T-2 stated that the records of the Mexican Immigration Service reflect that SWADESH was divorced from [redacted] on October 5, 1959, and that SWADESH is presently married to [redacted]
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T-12 advised the [redacted] reside at [redacted]
[redacted]. T-18 advised [redacted] company known as "Ella, S. A.," Calle Londres 104, Colonia Roma, Mexico, D. F., which is a real estate business. This source stated [redacted] is a housewife.

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T-10 stated [redacted] resides with [redacted]
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[redacted] T-10 stated [redacted] is self-employed as a [redacted]. T-13 stated that [redacted] on March 11, 1960, signed a certificate of renunciation of United States citizenship based on the fact that she had expatriated herself by having become a Mexican national on August 22, 1956. T-13 stated [redacted] is the bearer of Mexican passport which reflects that she became a Mexican citizen by naturalization, Certificate No. 1151, on October 1, 1958.
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T-1 advised the [redacted] reside at [redacted]
[redacted] T-1 stated [redacted] is employed as a [redacted] at [redacted]

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the Swiss-American Institute, Cuernavaca, and [redacted]
[redacted] is self-employed full time as an artistic painter.

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T-9 advised [redacted] resides at [redacted]
[redacted] where he
[redacted] orchard and farm. Source stated he also
works part time at the laboratories located at Calle
Zaragoza No. 280, Mexico, D. F.

ASA ZATZ, aka
Asa Zatz/Dolinsky, Etza Zatz,
Asa Zatz;

[redacted]

T-1 advised that the ZATZes reside at Calle
Pennsylvania No. 222, Apartment 4, Mexico, D. F. T-1
advised ASA ZATZ is not regularly employed and is a writer;
his wife is a housewife.

III. NEW ARRIVALS AND NEW
ASSOCIATES IN THE ACGM

MR [redacted] GEORGE RAYMOND KROTZER, aka
Ray Krotzer;

[redacted]

T-5 has advised that the KROTZERs have now
returned to Mexico. T-5 advised that the KROTZERs are
residing at Avenida 20 de Noviembre No. 203 in Jalapa,
Veracruz, and that GEORGE KROTZER engages himself in the
writing of history and in the study of anthropology and

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T-13 advised [redacted], as of September 1, 1961, was residing at [redacted] and had indicated that he was returning in the Fall of 1961 to his position as a professor at the University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois. Source stated that [redacted] permanent address is [redacted]. T-13 advised that [redacted] visits Mexico on occasion for relatively long periods of time to study anthropology and to obtain material for books and papers on anthropological subjects.

It will be noted that the daily newspaper, "The News", published in Mexico, D. F., issue of August 27, 1961, reflects that [redacted] of the recently published book entitled "The Children of Sanchez", which is a sequel to his previous book entitled "Five Families", both of which works are concerning [redacted] studies of anthropology in Mexico.

T-1 advised that [redacted] has in the past been in touch with FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD in Mexico, D. F., who is an associate of the ACGM and that these contacts were allegedly in connection with [redacted] study and FIELD's interest in anthropology.

T-19 advised that in a discussion in late 1947 or early 1948 [redacted] had staunchly defended Russian policy in dominating and controlling Eastern European countries in the name of democracy. According to this source, the thesis of the [redacted] in defense of Russia was that the hands of the United States were dirty and how could the United States say anything about Russia? This source advised that [redacted] had made other statements defending actions of Russia. This source stated he did not know whether or not [redacted] was a member of the CP.

T-20 advised in 1949 that he was certain that [redacted] had been a member of the CP in the past although he did not furnish specific detail in this regard and stated further that he did not know of recent activity of [redacted] in the CP.

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It was previously learned that [redacted] had departed from Mexico and was no longer associated with the ACGM. T-13 advised that [redacted] returned to Mexico some time prior to August 24, 1961, and is presently residing at [redacted] and that he is engaged in the motion picture business. T-13 was unable to furnish any information at this time as to how long [redacted] would remain in Mexico. MEXICO

[redacted]

Previous information indicated that [redacted] was a previous associate of the ACGM. T-4 has furnished information indicating that [redacted] has in the past been in contact, although to a limited extent, with various associates of the ACGM, including [redacted] and SAMUEL BROOKS. T-4 advised that the present address of [redacted] is [redacted]. T-1 advised that [redacted] is not gainfully employed inasmuch as he has an independent income. T-1 further advised that [redacted] during the period following the two heart attacks of SAMUEL BROOKS gave or loaned money to [redacted] for the assistance of the BROOKS' family.

[redacted]

[redacted] was a prior associate of the ACGM and information had been received she had returned to the United States. T-5 furnished information that [redacted] is presently residing in Mexico where she is generally known as [redacted] and her present address is [redacted] where she was residing with her [redacted] MEXICO who, according to the source, has departed for Russia for the purpose of study. T-1 advised that [redacted] is a professional concert and television singer.

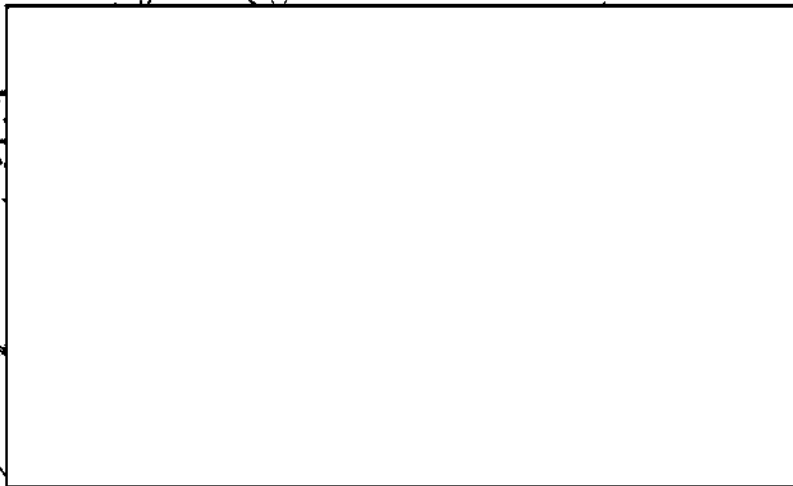
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IV. PREVIOUS ASSOCIATES OF THE ACGM

GRAY DAYTON BEMIS, aka Gray Day Bemis,
Greggy Bemis, Gray Benin

T-13 advised that BEMIS died of natural causes
on January 31, 1960.



T-1 advised that the Mexico City residence of [redacted]
was [redacted], and
that she was employed at the gift shop [redacted]
located at Hamburgo 68, Mexico, D. F.

T-1 advised on September 6, 1961, that information
had been received by him that [redacted] had departed
permanently from Mexico to reside in Cuba.

MERLE BRAGG

T-14 advised that BRAGG has evidently returned
to the United States inasmuch as he no longer resides in
Tepic, Nayarit, and all indicates are that he has returned
to the United States. His exact whereabouts are unknown.

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T-4 advised that the present address of the [REDACTED] and that [REDACTED] is employed in Italy as a motion picture producer. T-1 advised that the [REDACTED] had left Mexico City for Italy on December 3, 1960.

[REDACTED]

T-1 advised that the [REDACTED] departed prior to February 1961 from Mexico to Brazil and that they are now residing in Brazil, exact address unknown. This information has been confirmed by T-4 although this latter source does not know the exact address of the [REDACTED].

[REDACTED]

T-11 advised that [REDACTED], who previously resided at Tangancicuaro, Michoacan, has disposed of his personal belongings at Tangancicuaro and has not returned to that city and it is believed that he is presently residing in the United States.

[REDACTED] Protection Section, Veterans Administration Center, Los Angeles, California, has advised that [REDACTED] was a patient at this center on January 18, 1960, suffering with chronic arthritis. [REDACTED] furnished the permanent address of [REDACTED] as [REDACTED].

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[redacted] T-3 advised that [redacted] at Eronguaricuaro, Michoacan, and that the [redacted] business known as "Casa Gordon", located at Hamburgo 98, Mexico, D. F. Source stated that the [redacted] make frequent trips between their residence in Eronguaricuaro and Mexico, D. F. During the past two years information has been received from T-1 and T-3 that [redacted] has associated to a very minor degree with the ACGM.

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T-1 advised that the [redacted] have departed Mexico for residence in Havana, Cuba, and have not returned to Mexico, D. F. T-2 advised that official records of the Immigration Service of the Mexican Ministry of Government reflect that by official order of October 14, 1960, [redacted] was granted five days in which to leave Mexico and not return. This file reflects that [redacted] departed from the Central Airport at Mexico for Cuba on October 19, 1960.

GEORGE HUGH MURRAY MAITLAND HARDYMAN, aka
Hugh Maitland Hardyman

Consul WARREN L. SOOPE of the United States Consulate General, Guadalajara, Jalisco, advised that HARDYMAN died at the Mexican-American Hospital, Guadalajara, on April 5, 1960. *u.s.*
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T-1 advised that the HOFFMANS left Mexico in July 1959 to return to and establish their permanent residence in the United States. T-1 advised on a later date that the HOFFMANS

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now reside at [redacted]
and that [redacted]
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T-10 advised the [redacted] now reside at [redacted]
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that [redacted] is employed at the General Electric
Company, Mexico, D. F. T-1 stated that during the past
two years the [redacted] have had no association with the
ACGM and it appears that they do not intend to associate
further with this group.

[redacted]
T-2 advised that [redacted] continues as a [redacted]
in the Mexico, D. F., [redacted].
Source stated that [redacted] is being treated as a psychotic
maniac - depressive and is considered by officials of the
hospital as being incurable. Accordingly inasmuch as [redacted]
no longer associates with the ACGM, she is not being carried
as an associate of the ACGM.

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T-21 advised [redacted] resides at [redacted]
[redacted]
General Mexican Trading Company located at Paseo de la
Reforma 104, Office 501, Mexico, D. F. T-21 advised that
the records of the Immigration Service of the Mexican
Ministry of Government reflect that [redacted] was granted
permanent immigrant status on January 22, 1958. T-1 and
T-3 have advised that [redacted] has had, to their knowledge,
no contact with the ACGM for many months.

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T-22 advised that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] in July 1961 were residing at [REDACTED]
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T-1 advised that [REDACTED] departed from Mexico City about May 1961 for New York City. T-1 advised in September 1961 that [REDACTED] continued to reside in New York City and that his subsequent address is unknown.

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T-1 advised the [REDACTED] left Mexico by the port of Veracruz on the SS "Guadalupe" on September 7, 1960, and are presently residing in New York City, exact address unknown.

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T-23 advised the [REDACTED] are presently residing at [REDACTED] T-1 has advised that the [REDACTED] are making their permanent residence in Los Angeles, California.

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[redacted]
T-12 advised that [redacted] no longer resides at his former address, [redacted] and he is believed to be residing in [redacted] T-1 and T-3 advised that, to their knowledge, [redacted] is no longer an associate of the ACGM.

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[redacted]
T-2 advised that the last known Mexico City address of [redacted] was [redacted] and that [redacted] had intended returning to the United States and there was no information available as to whether or not she intended to return to Mexico thereafter to reside. T-1 and T-3 have advised that there has been no contact by [redacted] with the ACGM within the past few months.

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[redacted]
T-1 advised that the [redacted] have moved from Mexico to California and, at the present time, [redacted] has a professorship at the Harvey Mudd College in California.

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The following sources mentioned in referenced
communication have all furnished reliable information in
the past: T-1 through T-3, T-5, T-6, T-8 through T-12,
T-14 through T-18, T-21 and T-23.

T-7 has furnished insufficient information in
the past on which to judge his reliability, however, he is
an associate of LINI STOUMEN.

T-13 is another government agency which maintains
personal records.

T-4 is another government agency which conducts
security investigations.

T-19 and T-20 have furnished insufficient informa-
tion on which to judge their reliability. They were
acquaintances of [redacted]

T-22 has furnished insufficient information in
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in a position to have information concerning [redacted]
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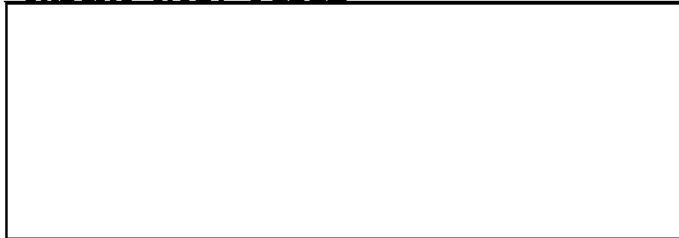
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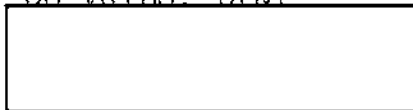
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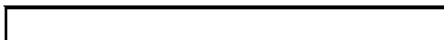
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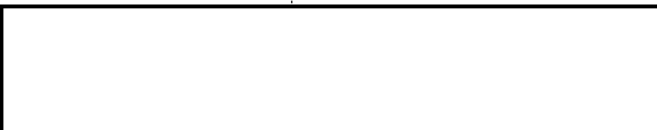
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- U Five copies of the report of SA [redacted]
[redacted] dated and captioned as above at
Mexico, D. F., together with five copies
of a memorandum evaluating sources utilized.

REFERENCES

- U Report of SA [redacted] dated 7/31/59;
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U The dates on which specific items of information
were furnished by informants have not been set out in
enclosed report in order to furnish greater protection to
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which the items of information were received are set out
hereinafter in the documentation.

U As directed in referenced Bulet sources have been
contacted with regard to the current characterization of
the ACGM. These sources have stated that, in their opinion,
the current characterization of the ACGM is sufficient
inasmuch as there has been less activity within the group
which is primarily due to the substantially fewer associates
now remaining in the group. The last report on this matter
set out information reflecting that there was approximately
100 members in the group. Enclosed report sets out informa-
tion that there are now approximately 85 members in the
group. For this reason, no change in the characterization
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	Attempt to organize	7/6/59	[]
	Nov. 1960 Presidential election	Nov. 1960	[]
	Christmas card sale	11/18/59	" "
	ACGM under fire in New York	12/7/59	" "
	MALTZ trip to Europe	8/3/59	" "
	[] trip to Europe	10/28/60	100-923-401
	ACGM pro-CASTRO	April 1961	[]
	[]	8/15/61	" "
	GRAY BEMIS	2/2/60	" "
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	FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD	9/6/61	" "
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	[] and JEANETTE PEPPER	6/20/61	" "
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	MORRIS SWADESH	7/14/61	[]
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	[]	8/15/61	" "
	ASA and [] ZATZ	7/21/61	" "
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	deported	11/22/60	" "
T-3: [] and (reporting jointly)	[]	9/8/61	[]
	[]	9/9/61	" "
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	Organization of ACGM	9/9/61	" "
	Communist interest in Latin America	7/23/60	" " []
T-4: [] Mexico, D.F.	[]	8/23/61	100-1650-171
	[]	8/18/61	100-1239-245
	[]	8/21/61	100-1348-80
	[]	8/19/61	100-923-370
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T-5: []	LINI STOUMEN	6/8/61	[]
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T-12: [Redacted]	[Redacted]	4/3/61	[Redacted]
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	SAMUEL and [Redacted] NOVICK	8/29/61	" "
	[Redacted]	7/15/61	" "
	[Redacted]	4/29/61	" "
	[Redacted]	10/15/60	" " [Redacted]
T-13: Citizenship Section, U.S. Embassy Mexico, D.F.	GRAY BEMIS	3/10/61	100-724
	[Redacted]	5/26/61	100-1202
	[Redacted]	9/6/61	100-1308 100-1382
	[Redacted]	8/15/61	100-874-131
	[Redacted]	9/1/61	100-1849
	[Redacted]	9/1/61	100-963
	SAMUEL and [Redacted] NOVICK and [Redacted]	4/21/61	[Redacted]
	[Redacted]	6/61	100-1048-324
T-14: [Redacted]	[Redacted]	7/27/61	[Redacted]
	[Redacted]	8/15/61	" " [Redacted]
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	MERLE BRAGG	7/26/61	" " [Redacted]

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T-22: []	[]	7/27/61	100-665-313
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T-23: SA MARCUS M. BRIGHT, Los Angeles	[]	8/13/60	100-1663-45

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CLASSIFICATION

U The enclosed report has been classified "~~Confidential~~" inasmuch as it contains information secured by Bureau informants operating in Mexico which deals with the internal security of the United States. ~~C~~

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U One copy each of enclosed report has been designated for the U. S. Embassy [] Mexico, D. F., and three copies have been designated for the Army Attache for dissemination to G-2, 4th Army; G-2, 6th Army, and ACSI, Washington, D. C. ~~C~~

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 5-4-62

FROM : *[Signature]* Legat, Mexico (c)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO
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Enclosed herewith to the Bureau are nine copies of a letterhead memorandum reporting information received from relating to the visit of President KENNEDY to Mexico and its effect on the ACGM.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

May 4, 1962

Re: American Communist Group
in Mexico

This document contains neither
recommendations nor conclusions of
the FBI. It is the property of
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distributed outside your agency.

The following information was received from a
source who has furnished reliable information in the
past:

According to this source the American Communist
Group in Mexico (ACGM) is a loose association of a
predominantly social nature.

The American Communist Group in Mexico is a
term utilized to describe the loose association
in Mexico on a predominantly social basis of
present and/or past members of the Communist
Party, USA, and their friends and associates
who share a common sympathy for communism and
the Soviet Union.

Members of the ACGM have indulged in considerable
speculation concerning the reported visit of President
KENNEDY to Mexico. This speculation has not treated
with plans for aggressive action, but rather is concerned
that the Mexican Government may take action against
"American Progressives" in Mexico to insure no incidents.

[redacted] and ASA ZATZ, active in the ACGM, claim
to have inside information that the Mexican Government
is contemplating arrests of the ACGM. Therefore, they
are advising everyone associated with the ACGM to be out
of the Mexican capitol and unavailable during any such
visit.

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Source reported that by accident and design most of the members of the ACGM would be absent from Mexico City during the visit. Source did not know of any of the leading active members of the ACGM who would remain in Mexico City.

In past years the ACGM has included as many as 200 people, many of them extremely dedicated communists considered capable of violent action. However, the group has shrunk to less than 100, many of whom are avoiding any type of Marxist associations or activity. There remains a hard core considered absolutely opposed to the United States, but source did not consider any of these currently capable of violence due to age, family and business considerations. Furthermore, past arrests and deportations of members of the ACGM have deeply impressed them and they are, for the most part, fearful of any action which might upset their status in Mexico.

Source did not feel there was the remotest possibility that any of the ACGM could or would cause any disturbance or difficulty during the proposed visit of President KENNEDY.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM -- United States Government

To : Director, FBI (100-355330)

Date: 10/29/57

From: SAC, Seattle [redacted]

Re : COMMUNIST PARTY OF MEXICO, aka
Partido Comunista Mexicano
IS - ME ~~AMERICAN~~ COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO

Reference report of SA REESE H. CHIPMAN dated 10/29/57 at Seattle, Washington, together with letterhead memoranda.

Confidential Informant T-1 is [redacted] former [redacted] who has been serving as a confidential source of the Seattle Office. [redacted] is presently residing at [redacted] but has indicated she may return to Seattle in the near future.

The identity of [redacted] was concealed pursuant to her request, and Bureau instructions.

In obtaining the data included in the signed statement dated September 27, 1957, [redacted] was interviewed by SAs REESE H. CHIPMAN and ROBERT E. MASON on the following dates in 1957: February 21; March 14 and 22; April 16 and 29; May 2; July 5 and 19; August 16, 19, 26, 27 and 28; September 18. The statement was reviewed by her and signed on September 27, 1957.

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This report is being classified ~~confidential~~ inasmuch as information herein is considered national defense information within the purview of Executive Order 10501.

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Requests of Bureau:

Seven copies attached report are being furnished the Bureau in order that two copies may be furnished to Legat, Mexico City, 100-203, together with this memorandum.

In the process of receiving this statement, certain of the individuals were named by [] as being Communist leaders who had traveled from Mexico to the United States and/or to the USSR. Although her reported information pertains to activities of these persons several years ago, it is known to the informant that they in most instances still survive and still maintain the same loyalty to Communism.

Some of these individuals have been mentioned in Bureau Source 5 material as possibly being engaged in Soviet intelligence; for example, []

[] also, others appear to have played an important part in international Communist Party activities, such as BLAS ROCA, LAZARO PENA, [] [] et al.

Each of the persons in the above categories appear to be of unusual significance for the reasons set forth. Accordingly, the Bureau is requested to specifically consider evaluating their current potential as security or espionage subjects. If in the judgment of the Bureau any of these so listed continues to be a security problem, the Bureau should advise Seattle in order that concentrated attention may be directed to the procuring of detailed background data from the informant. Individuals in the categories mentioned above are mentioned as follows:

- * Denotes travel to the USA
- ** Denotes travel to Soviet Union
- *** Other reasons for importance

[] *** (Position in educational system)
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CAMPA, VALENTIN *** (Influential in Mexico)

SE [redacted]

[redacted]
(Teachers Union)

[redacted]
*** (Important artist)

[redacted]
(In Seattle 1945)

PENA. LAZARO *

[redacted] ***
(Contacts with Americans)

[redacted] *
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SIQUEROS, DAVID ALFARO *** (Suspected Soviet agent)

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Legat, Mexico City

The Legat is requested to carefully review the material in the referenced report, and advise what cases may be of particular current intelligence interest. The Bureau has recently furnished information indicating the CP, USA has

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established direct contacts with the CP of Mexico. This appears to make coverage of subversive US citizens in Mexico City of considerable importance; also Mexican Communists traveling into the US who may have tie-ins to the CP. USA or Soviet intelligence operations such as [redacted]

All Offices

Single copies of this report are being furnished New York, Washington Field Office, Chicago and Los Angeles in view of their particular responsibilities in the CP world movement. Two copies are furnished San Francisco for information for the same reason, and in view of the source's present residence there. Two copies are furnished for San Diego, one being designated for I&NS, San Diego. One copy each is furnished for the other border offices.

It is suggested all offices index the material, and all are requested to advise the Bureau and Seattle of any individuals known to be of current security or intelligence interest.

The San Francisco Division

In addition to the above,

Will keep the Bureau and Seattle advised of current residence and employment of source.

The Seattle Division

In indexing the material, will attempt to ascertain any file data which may be pertinent in this case for further interviews.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 10/15/62

FROM : Legat, Mexico (100-640) (RUC)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO
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Rerep of SA [redacted] 9/14/61, at Mexico,
D. F.; Mexico City letter to Bureau 5/4/62.

Referenced report was submitted as the result of special Bureau instructions. It has not been the custom to submit annual reports regularly in this case. It is noted that the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) is not a formal organization. It is further noted that all information pertaining to this group is reported in the case files of the individuals associated with the group. It is considered that further reporting of this information under the title of the ACGM amounts to duplication and tends to attach undue significance to the group as a formal group. Pertinent information concerning the activities of individuals affiliated with this group is available to the Bureau and to the Embassy through reports already disseminated. Specific information concerning the group as a group is disseminated to this file and reported for further dissemination when considered applicable, for example, the letterhead memorandum submitted 5/4/62 concerning the attitude of the group regarding the visit of President KENNEDY to Mexico. The file is reviewed periodically for the purpose of determining if any information exists in the file warranting further reporting.

The above follows oral recommendation of inspectors following review of this case during recent inspection of this office.

This case, therefore, is being closed and no report is being submitted at this time.

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Reporting Office MEXICO, D. F.	Office of Origin BUREAU	Date JAN 31 1963	Investigative Period 12/15/62-1/22/63
TITLE OF CASE AMERICAN COMMUNISTS IN JALAPA, VERACRUZ, MEXICO		Report made by RICHARD S. CLARK	Typed By: 1j
CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - [MEXICO]		SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR CLASSIFICATION ACTION	
Synopsis: American Communist group in Mexico			

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U Allegation made that University of Veracruz summer school at Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico, under LINI MCERKERK STOUEN, known in Mexico as LINI DE VRIES, was utilized by CP, USA as a cheap and effective means of training people for Latin America. List of students at school in 1958 includes a number of persons with backgrounds of activity relating to CP, USA. In addition, other persons with communist backgrounds, noted to have lived in Jalapa, associated with DE VRIES and had contact with the school.

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CC TO: SS
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PREDICATION

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in Mexico (ACGM) is a loose association of
a predominantly social nature of present and/
or past members of the Communist Party, U.S.A.,
and their friends and associates who share a
common sympathy for communism and the Soviet
Union. ~~(X)~~

The published statutes of the Communist
Party of Mexico (PCM) state: "The Com-
munist Party of Mexico has as its final
objectives to construct socialism and to
build the communist society in Mexico."

The Communist Party, U.S.A., (CP, USA)
has been designated under Executive
Order 10450.

UT-1 advised in December, 1962, that for a number
of years, he has speculated concerning the number of
Americans with apparent communist backgrounds or connections
who have traveled to Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico, to live and
study. ~~(X)~~

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U He noted that for a number of years a leading figure in the summer school of the University of Veracruz at Jalapa (occasionally spelled Xalapa) has been LINI MOERKERK STOUMEN, commonly known as LINI DE VRIES, who has for years been prominent in the ACGM. As a result of her activities, the school has gained local notoriety as being a center for communists. ~~(S)~~

U T-1 considered DE VRIES incapable of conducting any type of advanced communist indoctrination course, and, therefore, he could not understand the attraction for so many people of this type going to Jalapa, an isolated community. ~~(S)~~

U T-1 advised that he recently learned from a person with numerous contacts in the ACGM, PCM and CP, USA what he considers to be a reasonable and accurate explanation of the presence of these persons in Jalapa. According to this version, Jalapa was being used by the CP, USA to cheaply and effectively train some of their people in the language and customs of Latin America, apparently for possible use on future assignments in Latin America. T-1 speculated that such assignments might include setting up refuges for American communists who might in the future flee the United States. ~~(S)~~

U T-1 specifically recalled that RAYMOND and [redacted] spent considerable time studying in Jalapa in the past, and, in fact, very recently are reported to have returned there. He advised that the KROTSEERS associate with the ACGM, particularly with MARGARET MALTZ, when in Mexico. ~~(S)~~

U T-1 additionally recalled that [redacted] and [redacted] were in Jalapa in the Summer of 1959, and he had heard rumors that [redacted] plans to return to Jalapa at considerable sacrifice for further study in 1963. T-1 advised that he knew the [redacted] to be active communists from San Francisco. ~~(S)~~

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UT-1 noted that in December, 1962, DE VRIES left Jalapa and moved to Mexico City and reportedly is attempting to establish herself with a university in Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico, in the same capacity she enjoyed in Veracruz; teaching and possibly organizing a summer school for Americans. T-1 noted that her move to Mexico was also motivated by her desire to enroll her [redacted] in the National University of Mexico. Also, a new governor, who reportedly was unsympathetic to the supposed communist colony in Jalapa, was taking office in Veracruz and probably would make changes in the administrators of the University of Veracruz, some of whom were supporters of DE VRIES. ~~(S)~~

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U SUMMER STUDENTS AT JALAPA IN 1958 ~~(S)~~

In August, 1958, T-2 furnished the following list of foreign students attending the summer school of the University of Veracruz at Jalapa, Veracruz, in 1958:



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U [The following information is being set out pertinent to persons whose names appear on this list: ~~XX~~



T-3 advised in October, 1953, that [redacted]
[redacted], were members of the

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Professional Branch of the Bergen County, New Jersey CP, and he considered them to be part of the nucleus of this group during 1946-1950 when he had cognizance of this group.

T-4 advised that in 1955 and 1956, the [] were in frequent contact with LINI DE VRIES, then in Oaxaca, Mexico.

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T-5 advised in July, 1958, that []

[] registered at the Hotel Charleston in Mexico City on June 30, 1958. They departed on July 5, 1958, for Jalapa, Veracruz, and said they would be returning to the United States about August 15, 1958. ~~(S)~~

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T-6 advised in October of 1961 that []

[] lived in Jalapa in the Summer of 1961. He determined that they were studying at the school there and visited frequently with LINI DE VRIES, as well as other persons who have local reputations as communist sympathizers. While in Jalapa, [] stayed in the home of []

[] library at the school who at that time was visiting in Cuba at the invitation of FIDEL CASTRO. ~~(S)~~

RAYMOND KROTZER

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According to T-7, GEORGE RAYMOND KROTZER and [] with various residences in San Francisco, California, and vicinity, in June, 1958, said they were leaving the United States to study for a year or perhaps longer at the University of Veracruz at Jalapa, Mexico.

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T-8 advised that in 1938, the KROTZERs sponsored him for CP membership. ~~(S)~~

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U T-9 advised that as of August, 1955, GEORGE RAYMOND KROTZER was still a member of the Communist Party. ~~XX~~

The Jalapa newspaper "Diario Xalapa," for July 10, 1958, in reporting students at this school, mentioned RAMON KROTZER, Philosopher and Civil Engineer, and [] a graduate in Biology.

U T-10 advised that Mexican Immigration records show KROTZERS entered Mexico as tourists on June 13, 1958, with the intention to study a few months at the summer school at Jalapa. On November 4, 1958, they requested extension of permission to remain in Mexico, as [] had contracted polio. They departed Mexico by air on January 22, 1959. ~~XX~~

U T-1 advised that in September, 1958, they were residing with a friend, [] ~~XX~~

U T-1 reported that as of September, 1960, KROTZERS were back in Mexico, had been invited to the home of ALBERT and MARGARET MALTZ, identified by T-1 as leading personalities in the ACGM, and were planning to go to Jalapa again. ~~XX~~

U T-6 reported that KROTZERS were in Jalapa approximately October, 1960, to September, 1961. They resided in Jalapa at [] and were friendly with LINI DE VRIES. ~~XX~~

U T-1 reported the KROTZERS back in Mexico in the Fall of 1962 doing archaeological work in the vicinity of Mexico City and associating with MARGARET MALTZ. As of December, 1962, they reportedly had left for Jalapa. ~~XX~~

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"Diario Jalapa" for July 10, 1958, listed one [redacted] a graduate nurse from Pennsylvania, as among summer students at the University of Veracruz.

U T-10 advised that Mexican Immigration records show [redacted]

[redacted] entered Mexico on July 8, 1959, with the intention of studying Fine Arts at Jalapa. ~~(X)~~

U T-6 advised that while in Jalapa, [redacted] resided in an apartment rented by LINI DE VRIES in the [redacted] ~~(X)~~

U T-1 identified a photograph of [redacted] as identical to a Negress calling herself [redacted] who was in Mexico City in 1959 and associating with MARGARET MALTZ and [redacted] also identified by T-1 as active and prominent in the ACGM. This individual said she had been staying for several weeks with LINI DE VRIES in Jalapa, where she had also been in daily contact with [redacted] said [redacted] was a close friend of HELEN SOBELL, wife of MORTON SOBELL, convicted and jailed for espionage, and often traveled with Mrs. SOBELL. She claimed [redacted] was "very big in the movement." T-1 added that [redacted] later spoke of having associated with [redacted] while in Jalapa and indicated that [redacted] was active in the CP in the Philadelphia area. ~~(X)~~

[redacted] on September 2, 1962, identified [redacted] as a young Negro female residing with [redacted] who has an office and apartment at that address. He said [redacted] always espoused the CP line.

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T-11 advised that [redacted] were planning to travel to Mexico in the Fall of 1961 and again in 1962, and both times had spoken of possibly continuing on to Cuba.

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It is noted that in Spanish-speaking countries, an attorney commonly utilizes the title Licenciado (or Lic.) before his name.

U T-1 advised that [redacted] arrived in Mexico City with [redacted] late in June or early in July, 1958, and was joined by [redacted] about July 20, 1958. [redacted] associated closely with principals of the ACGM. ~~(S)~~

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[redacted] the Mexico City newspaper "Excelsior" for July 10, 1958, reported that [redacted] the communist [redacted] was in Mexico on vacation from her home in Oakland, California. [redacted] ~~(S)~~

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SP8B 7/3/86 7-10-86 T-13 advised in July, 1958, that both [redacted] were known long-time members of the CP and active in CP causes in California. In 1957, [redacted] was a delegate to the National CP, USA Convention in New York and [redacted] was on the Regional Board of the CP, East Bay Region. Both ostensibly resigned from the CP in April, 1958. [redacted] law firm represented CP cases. ~~(S)~~

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T-1 advised that [redacted] and [redacted] whom he knew to be ~~(S)~~

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communists from San Francisco, California, also had studied at Jalapa. ~~(S)~~

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U T-6 advised on November 1, 1959, that the [] were residing in Jalapa in October, 1959, and were friendly with LINI DE VRIES. T-6 advised they were still there in January, 1960, and their [] also attending the University of Veracruz, was an intimate friend of [] were frequenting [] curio shop, called "Tianguis," and [] was reported to be a friend of [] the University of Veracruz and publicly described as a leftist. ~~(S)~~

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U T-1 said [] planned to return to San Francisco area about June, 1960. T-1 added that [] claimed [] had been made head of an underground organization some years earlier. ~~(S)~~

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U T-14 advised that on June 6, 1960, [] was assigned to special CP activity and rarely had any meetings with CP members. ~~(S)~~

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U T-1 advised that while in Jalapa, [] reportedly saw quite a bit of one [] a screen writer from the United States who was living in Jalapa at the time. ~~(S)~~

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T-15 on July 26, 1950, identified a [] a writer, as a member of the CP in Hollywood, California.

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T-16 advised in December, 1960, that HARVEY EDWARD O'CONNOR of Little Compton, Rhode Island, and

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[redacted] reported that after November 20, 1960, they could be located care of DE VRIES, Roa Barcena #1, Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico. As of May, 1961, they were reported back in Little Compton.

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U T-6 advised that as of March, 1961, the [redacted] were residing at [redacted] and making weekly trips to Jalapa to visit LINI DE VRIES. (X)

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U T-17 advised that the [redacted] arrived in Mexico City on March 6, 1961, from Cuba, and T-18 reported that HARVEY O'CONNOR, an American writer, gave a speech praising the Cuban Revolution the same date before the Conferencia Latinoamericana por la Soberania, la Emancipacion Economica y la Paz (Latin American Conference for Sovereignty, Economic Emancipation and Peace - LAPC). (X)

T-19 in 1952 described HARVEY O'CONNOR as a communist for approximately 25 years and indicated his [redacted] was also an active CP member.

U T-1 advised that [redacted] a restaurant in Berkeley, California, was in Jalapa, Mexico, visiting LINI DE VRIES in January, 1961. (X)

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U T-20, in June, 1949, furnished a letter put out by the Los Angeles County Committee of the CP relating that [redacted] claimed to have joined the CP, USA in New York in November, 1946, and claimed to have joined the French Communist Party in December, 1944, while a soldier in France. The report said that [redacted] had worked principally on the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) campus, but was then active at the University of California at Berkeley. He was expelled from the CP as a constant associate of Trotskyites and a probable Trotsky agent in the CP. (X)

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BACKGROUND REGARDING LINI DE VRIES

The Trenton, New Jersey, Bureau of Vital Statistics records that LINI MOREKARK was born on July 27, 1905, at Patterson, New Jersey, and later changed her name to LINI MOERKERK.

The records of Columbia University Teachers College, New York City, New York, show [redacted] was graduated in 1932 with a Nursing Degree. ELIZABETH BENTLEY, self-admitted former communist and Soviet Intelligence Agent, has testified that [redacted] recruited her into the CP, USA while both were at Columbia.

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United States Passport records indicate LINI MOERKERK married WILBUR FUHR on June 25, 1928. FUHR died on January 23, 1934.

Los Angeles County Divorce records indicate she married [redacted] on January 10, 1944, and divorced him on October 28, 1948, at Los Angeles.

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United States Department of State Passport records show she served with the Abraham Lincoln Brigade as a Nurse in Spain in 1937. The Abraham Lincoln Brigade has been designated by the Attorney General under Executive Order 10450.

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T-21 advised in 1952 that DE VRIES arrived in Mexico City on December 13, 1949, from Los Angeles with her [redacted]. She was receiving support money from [redacted]. She rented a house in Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico, where she lived with ALBERT MALTZ and his family. In January, 1952, she traveled to the State of Veracruz, Mexico, with a group which reportedly was surveying the Gulf Coast area of Mexico to determine whether it could be utilized as an escape route for American communists. Thereafter, she moved to Oaxaca, Mexico, and established a boarding house. ~~XX~~

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U According to T-21, DE VRIES intended this boarding house to be used as a place of refuge for American communists who might be forced to leave the United States. ~~(S)~~

U T-6, in June of 1961, advised that LINI STOUMEN, known as LINI DE VRIES in Jalapa, Veracruz, was the Executive Secretary of the School for Foreign Students, University of Veracruz, in Jalapa. He stated that she was very friendly with various of the Professors at the University. He added that one of the alumni of the University, [redacted], is a friend of DE VRIES and was one of the more prominent demonstrators in a pro-Cuban, anti-United States demonstration in Jalapa. He also advised that DE VRIES and Professor [redacted] had organized a small group of persons who met in front of the curio store operated by DE VRIES and shouted pro-Cuban and anti-United States slogans. ~~(S)~~

U T-22 advised in July, 1961, that the summer school for foreign students at the University of Veracruz had the reputation in Jalapa of being a meeting place for American students who were more interested in discussing communism than in the study of Spanish. He said that in Jalapa, DE VRIES is known as a communist and never ceases to denounce the United States and the capitalist system and continually expresses communist ideas. He added that many of the students who had attended the past sessions of the University of Veracruz Summer School reportedly had been handpicked by DE VRIES. ~~(S)~~

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ficient to establish reliability, but who are known to
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: JAN 31 1963

FROM: LEGAT, MEXICO CITY

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SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS IN
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American Communist Group in Mexico
ENCLOSURES

U There are enclosed herewith thirty (30) copies
of the report of SA RICHARD S. CLARK, dated and captioned

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(1 - Liaison Section)
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- (1 - SF 100-30951, GEORGE KROTZER, BU 100-39012) (SI) U
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- (1 - LA 100-28302, LINI STOUMEN, BU 101-4782) (SI) U

- (3 - Mexico City

- (1 - MC 100-825, LINI STOUMEN

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U as above at Mexico, D. F., together with thirty (30) copies of a letterhead memorandum evaluating the sources utilized therein. ~~(S)~~

ADMINISTRATIVE

U This report is being submitted on basis of information received from [] who reported that [] (Bufile 100-395934), who has often served as liaison between American and Mexican communists, indicated in commenting on various American communists who had gone to Jalapa that the school at Jalapa, Mexico, had been used by the CP, USA as a training area to equip their people for possible Latin American assignments. Undoubtedly, [] are reporting this information accurately, and feel that it is accurate, based on their observation over the years that persons of security interest were visiting in Jalapa. Nevertheless, this information must be tempered by information previously furnished by [] that [] habitually speaks as if she anticipated a violent communist revolution momentarily and by the proclivity of [] to embellish in order to give the appearance of enjoying the confidence of the communist hierarchy. ~~(S)~~

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It is noted that much of the information reported herein has been reported in the past in the LINI DE VRIES file (Bufile 101-4782). However, it is being repeated and centralized where considered pertinent to the allegation.

U No effort has been made to identify and report herein all the contacts of DE VRIES developed over the years through informants, technical coverage, etc. This report primarily consists of setting out persons of known security background identified as having been at Jalapa. The number of such persons uncovered tends to support the principal allegation and leads to the speculation that there have been other, as yet unidentified, security subjects who have studied at Jalapa. Due to the isolated location, coverage at Jalapa has been spotty. ~~(S)~~

STOUMEN will be referred to hereinafter as LINI DE VRIES, as she is known by this name in Mexico.

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U In this regard, this office has a list of 177 names and addresses of Americans attending the school in the Summer of 1962. These are not being set out in full, due to length and probable non-pertinence. Mexico City will attempt, through sources, to obtain lists of adult Americans who have attended this school, together with sufficient identifying material to make indices checks feasible. ~~(u)~~

U [These 177 names have been searched through Mexico City indices without developing significant information, except for the following: ~~(u)~~

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[] He is believed to be the [] ALBERT and MARGARET MALTZ, concerning whom information previously has been furnished Bureau and Los Angeles.

[] She would appear to be possibly identical to the subject of NY []

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~~(u)~~ [] Additionally, "Diario Xalapa" for 7/10/58 reported [] described as high school students from Long Beach, California, as attending the school.

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This information was furnished to Los Angeles (LA file [] and investigation there indicated []

[] had been in Mexico in the Summer of 1958. Additionally, Los Angeles reported a number of references on [] of some security interest, indicating she was a member of the Jewish People Fraternal Order-International Workers Order, which has been designated under Executive Order 10450. However, it could not be determined if these references applied to the [] It was not known that it was this family whose daughter was in Jalapa, although this appears to be a strong possibility []

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This matter is not being pursued further because of indications that [] were of high school age at the time of attendance in Jalapa. It is not being reported for dissemination because investigation did not establish identities nor security significance of these individuals.

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U Considered most pertinent to the principal allegation in this case are the remarks of [] (Bufile [] to [] upon her return to Mexico City from Jalapa in late May, 1960 (reported in Mexico City letter to Bureau 6/30/60 under [] caption). Then, as now, this material was not set out for dissemination to avoid compromising informants. (X)

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U [] said she had been given the opportunity of coming to Mexico for a period of a year to study in Jalapa, Veracruz. She said that her husband had not been given the same opportunity and had stayed at home with their two teen-age daughters, while [] and a friend named [] (Last Name Unknown) traveled to Mexico by second class bus. Upon arrival in Mexico City, they were met by [] (Bufile []), who drove (X)

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U them to Jalapa. In Jalapa, she enrolled at the University, and [] secured living quarters with a Mexican doctor. She did not live with LINI DE VRIES. ~~(C)~~

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U About two months after her arrival, she was joined by her husband and daughters, who had grown weary of San Francisco. Upon their arrival, she found a house for them at []

[] did not attend the University, but spent his time writing at this residence. Their two girls enrolled in secondary school in Jalapa. [] took classes at the University in Mexican History, Anthropology and Spanish. ~~(C)~~

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U [] said she did not associate much with DE VRIES in Jalapa. She said one of her closest friends in Jalapa was a woman named [] (phonetic), and she was also friendly with a girl named [] (phonetic) (Last Name Unknown). [] also mentioned that she saw one [] in Jalapa, and stated she had known her previously in the U. S. as [] Mexico City indices are negative as to this individual. ~~(C)~~

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U As previously reported to San Francisco under the [] caption, [] were in San Francisco on 5/18-22/62 and in contact with [] At that time, [] said she was planning to return to Jalapa, about February, 1963, to remain for a year. She said she would be studying there with someone who would be coming in from somewhere else. [] indicated she had not been in contact with DE VRIES and expressed no interest in DE VRIES. She said that this trip would cost her \$9,000.00 in salary, and she was glad she had an employer tolerant enough to give her a leave of absence for a year. ~~(C)~~

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U [] advised 1/9/61 (MC file [] that on 1/2/61 CHARLES SMOLIKOFF (Bufile 100-12632) said he intended to go to Jalapa, Veracruz, in the near future and was looking forward to seeing a friend ~~(C)~~

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of ALBERT MALTZ (Bufile 100-7646) there. In the ensuing conversation, it was indicated that [] were in Jalapa, as well as a [] Mexico City has no information as to the identity of [] (c)

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U As reported separately under his caption, a [] from Eau Claire, Wisconsin, has been bringing groups of students to the summer school at Jalapa. [] of the U. S. Embassy, Mexico City, has indicated that [] appears to sympathize with LINI DE VRIES in some respects. Background from indices regarding [] has been requested from the Milwaukee Division. (c)

U The Jalapa newspaper "Diario Xalapa" for 7/10/58 identified [] as summer students at the school there. These individuals were subsequently identified as []

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[] (MC file [] and []), self-styled artists, writers and anthropologists who were around Jalapa and associated with DE VRIES. Inquiry developed no background of security significance concerning these people in Mexico or in the U. S. (c)

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LA 100-22095-91

T-16: Postmaster 100-882-60

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U T-18: [REDACTED] 100-882-67

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U T-21: [REDACTED] 100-825-8

T-22: [REDACTED] 100-825-374

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A number of extra copies have been prepared for various offices, as noted in designation of copies, in order to provide a copy for case files of persons whose activities are reported herein. This provides these offices and the case agents with the background of the allegation, as well as the associates of these various individuals in Jalapa. [Where information available to Mexico City,] those subjects having been on the Security Index are designated by "SI" after copy designation. Extra copies designated for San Francisco because of the preponderance of subjects from that area in Jalapa, indicating a separate case file warranted.

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CLASSIFICATION

The enclosed report has been classified "~~Confidential~~" because it is considered that disclosure of information reported therein would compromise informants who are furnishing valuable information relating to the security of the country.

LEADS

ALL OFFICES:

1. Will review the enclosed report and instant letter and furnish to Mexico City any information considered pertinent to the allegation that the CP, USA used Jalapa for training members for work in Latin America. (S) (U)
2. Additionally, will advise if [] and CARLOTA BASS (see remarks under ADMINISTRATIVE) can be identified in indices. (S) (U)
3. Will furnish identities of any other subjects known to have traveled to Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico, in recent years. (S) (U)
4. All offices are requested to search names contained in the enclosed report as having attended the 1958 summer session at Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico, aside from those already characterized. (S) (U)

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In addition, the Jalapa newspaper "Diario Xalapa" for 7/10/58 contained an article in Spanish regarding the opening of the summer courses of the University of Veracruz. The article identified the Rector of the University as [] and indicated that [] was

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in charge of the Summer School and LINI M. DE VRIES was Secretary. The article identified the following persons as attending the summer sessions:

*GEORGE LAND and his wife, writers

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*RAMON KROTZER, Philosopher and Civil Engineer

[REDACTED], Biologist

[REDACTED] university student from San Francisco, California

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*[REDACTED] nursing graduate from Pennsylvania

[REDACTED], Doctor of Philosophy and Letters from Belgium

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[REDACTED], Professor of Civics of Ohio

[REDACTED] student from the University at Austin, Texas

[REDACTED] one of the students due to arrive

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*[REDACTED] high school student from Long Beach, California

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[REDACTED], well-known writer on Mexican affairs

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[] Professor and Director of
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[] Professor and folklore expert
their daughter, high school
[] Psychiatrist (female)
Gynecologist

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U Comparison of the above list with the ~~Tex~~ list furnished by [] indicates a number of misspelled names in the newspaper article. However, it is requested that all offices also review the above newspaper list for any names of possible significance, not already identified. b7D

MILWAUKEE DIVISION.

AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN:

It is noted that, as reported separately, [] of Eau Claire, Wisconsin, reportedly has brought a number of students to Jalapa. There was a report that [] was with DE VRIES in the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, but [] has denied this. At any rate, numerous allegations of a preponderance of students from Wisconsin at Jalapa justify an extra copy to that Division.

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AT HASTINGS ON HUDSON, NEW YORK:

Will attempt to identify []
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U [MEXICO CITY OFFICE:]

U [AT JALAPA, VERACRUZ, MEXICO:]

U Will attempt to arrange investigative coverage
of following leads: []

1. U Information developed that indicates
that LINI DE VRIES paid the rent for
[], Apt. 202D, Jalapa,
for a considerable period and apparently
for various occupants. Full details
should be secured, amount of the rent, how
she paid it, over what period of time and
particularly for what specific occupants. []
2. U Attempts should be made to secure a list of
all adult Americans who have attended this
school during the tenure of LINI DE VRIES,
together with suitable background and
identifying data, such as ages and addresses
in the U. S. []
3. U It is noted that [] said she
originally came to Mexico by second class
bus with a friend named [] with whom she
lived and studied in Jalapa for two months
until her husband arrived. It would appear
that [] first resided in Jalapa at Calle
Primo Verdad y Zaragoza, Edificio Estela,
in the apartment of [] []

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U Through inquiry at this building or at the
University, attempts should be made to
identify [] the companion of []
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Legal Attache, Mexico City

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Director, FBI (100-422116)

1- Mr. Gurley
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**AMERICAN COMMUNISTS IN
JALAPA, VERACRUZ, MEXICO
INTERNAL SECURITY - MEXICO**

Reurlet dated 1-31-63 and the report of Special Agent Richard S. Clark dated 1-31-63.

Page 3 of relet sets forth information pertaining to the names and addresses of Americans attending the University of Veracruz during the Summer of 1962 and indicates that you are attempting to obtain additional lists of Americans who have attended this school.

The Legal Attache, Mexico City, upon obtaining the names and addresses together with some identifying material should furnish these lists to the Bureau to permit a review of the Bureau's indices for any pertinent information concerning them.

All offices receiving a copy of this letter have previously been furnished a copy of referenced letter and report. All offices should remain alert for any information indicating that a subject of security interest plans to travel to Jalapa and any other information which would tend to substantiate the supposition of [redacted]

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Letter to Mexico City
RE: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS IN
JALAPA, VERACRUZ, MEXICO
100-422116

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Rerep and letter indicated that [redacted] through the knowledge of communist affairs in Mexico and based upon a comment made by [redacted] a security subject, are of the opinion that the University at Jalapa, Mexico, had been used by the CPUSA as a training area to equip their people for possible Latin-American assignments. Mexico included information in rerep of a subversive nature concerning several individuals who had attended the school during the Summer of 1958.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 3/21/63

FROM: SAC, Milwaukee (100-13204) (RUC)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS IN
JALAPA, VERACRUZ, MEXICO
INTERNAL SECURITY - MEXICO

OO: Bureau

Re Legat, Mexico City, letter to Director 1/31/63 and report of SA RICHARD S. CLARK, 1/31/63, Mexico City, and Bureau letter to Legat, Mexico City 2/15/63.

Files of the Milwaukee Office contain no information reflecting that the CP, USA has used Jalapa for training members for work in Latin America.

Indices of the Milwaukee Office contain no information concerning [redacted] or CARLOTA BASS.

There are no other individuals from Wisconsin known to have traveled to Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico. [redacted] is being handled under separate caption.)

Indices of the Milwaukee Office contain no identifiable information regarding the individuals referred to in the Jalapa newspaper "Diario Xalapa" of 7/10/58 or the list of foreign students as furnished by [redacted] in August, 1958.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies designated for the Legat, Mexico City.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: March 25, 1963

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-51237) (RUC)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS IN JALAPA,
VERACRUZ, MEXICO
IS-Mexico

Relet Legat, Mexico City, to the Director, 1/31/63, and report SA RICHARD S. CLARK, Mexico, D.F., 1/31/63.

Six copies of this letter are submitted so that those necessary may be furnished to the Legat, Mexico, D.F.

1. No information has been located pertinent to the allegation that the CP-USA used or use Jalapa for training members for work in Latin America.

2. No record [redacted] San Francisco indices show CARLOTTA BASS may be subject of the Los Angeles Office under the name of CARLOTTA or CHARLOTTE BASS.

3. No other subjects are known to San Francisco at this time to have traveled to Jalapa in recent years.

4. 1958 Summer Session Enrollees

RAMON KROTZER is probably ^{me} [redacted] GEORGE RAYMOND KROTZER, both known to the Mexico City Legat

No record [redacted]

[redacted] is possibly identical with [redacted]

San Francisco security subjects, and long time acquaintances of [redacted] who are characterized on

Page 8 of [redacted]

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On 11/12/59, Inspector [redacted] (NA), [redacted] Berkeley PD, Berkeley, Cal., furnished the following information concerning [redacted] which was contained in the files of [redacted] Berkeley High School. *N.Y.*

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She resides at [redacted] She is a white, female and is in the lower 11th grade at Berkeley High School. She has [redacted] age, names not given. Her father is listed as [redacted]

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[redacted] was then enrolled in the college preparatory course and intended to attend a college in the East.

[redacted] was identified on March 1, 5, 9 and 13, 1960 by [redacted] as an acquaintance of [redacted] then [redacted] Northern California District CP and having been active in opposition to the hearings held by the HCUA in San Francisco 5/13/60 (SF 100-45407). *Calif. Mexico*

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[redacted] is unknown to San Francisco. The only [redacted] (whose middle name may be [redacted] An article in the San Francisco Chronicle, 7/10/58, stated that [redacted]

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[redacted] were vacationing in Mexico. [redacted] first name is [redacted]

No record [redacted]

5. Persons Identified in "Diario Xalapa" for 7/10/58 as Attending the Summer Session

GEORGE LAND, writer, is not known to San Francisco

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but one GEORGE LAND, white, born 1910, Iowa, is part owner of Land Brothers, San Francisco. This company has in the past contributed to communist causes, but no investigation has been conducted of GEORGE LAND.

[redacted] reported for induction Oakland, Cal., 11/21/61 and refused to be inducted. A CO investigation was conducted. This man is described as [redacted]

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[redacted] residence [redacted] He has attended Monterey Peninsula College. No information of any communist activity on [redacted] part.

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No record [redacted] *N.L.C.*

N.Y. [redacted] are shown in San Francisco files to be New York security subjects.

[redacted] mentioned on Page 10 of rerep, now resides at [redacted] He is employed Uncle John's Pancake House and Colonel Saunders Southern Fried Chicken Restaurant.

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Enclosed for Mexico City are two photographs of [redacted] taken about 1959.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3/22/63

FROM: SAC, NEWARK (RUC)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS IN
JALAPA, VERACRUZ, MEXICO
IS - MEXICO

*American Communist
Group In Mexico*

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Re Legat, Mexico City, letter to Director 1/31/63
captioned as above.

Five copies of instant letter and two enclosures
(one photo of DAVID ROCKLIN and one photo believed to be that
of LUCY ROCKLIN) are furnished to the Bureau in order that the
Bureau may furnish three copies of instant letter and the
two photographs to the Legat at Mexico City.

One copy of instant letter is furnished to New
York for information in connection with CARLOTTA BASS,
mentioned in lead #2 in relet. New York received two copies
of relet.

RE LEAD #1 IN RELET

Newark files contain no information pertinent to
the allegation that the CP, USA, used Jalapa, Mexico, as
a site for the training of members for work in Latin America.

RE LEAD #2 in RELET

The individual referred to as CARLOTTA BASS may be
identical with CHARLOTTA BASS, once the candidate of the
Progressive Party for Vice President of the United States.
New York will be able to furnish information concerning
CHARLOTTA BASS. *member U.S.A.*

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RE LEAD #3 IN RELET

Newark files reflect information that in December, 1956, and January, 1957, two Newark SI subjects DAVID ROCKLIN (Bufile 100-230738) and his wife, LUCY ROCKLIN, (Bufile 100-402946) made a trip to Veracruz, Mexico. There is no information to specifically identify them with the University of Veracruz at Jalapa. Pertinent information in Newark files is as follows:

On 11/5/56, [] AAA, 156 Clinton [] (conceal by request; in position to furnish reliable information) advised SA ANDREW R. BABYAK that DAVE ROCKLIN was planning a motor trip to Miami, Fla., and then to Veracruz, Mexico. ROCKLIN inquired of the AAA concerning the possibilities of travel by ship from Miami to Veracruz but was informed that no such travel was available. He was informed that such travel was possible from New Orleans, Louisiana, and that he would have to take a ship at New Orleans, La. No definite arrangements were made in this regard. At that time, ROCKLIN stated that he resided at 188 Sheerer Avenue, Newark, New Jersey, and was employed by the American Eyesight Service, 5 Hill Street, Newark, N. J.

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On 12/8/56, former [] advised that ROCKLIN and his wife, LUCY, were leaving for Mexico on Sunday morning, 12/9/56.

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On 12/13/56, former [] advised that a [] had received a telegram that LUCY and DAVE ROCKLIN had arrived at Miami, Fla., on 12/11/56.

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On 1/12/57, former [] reported that DAVE and LUCY ROCKLIN had returned to Newark from their trip to Mexico.

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[] advised on 5/16/57 that as of 5/11/57, DAVE ROCKLIN was a member of the Finance Committee of the NJCP.

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Former [] advised on 1/28/57 that LUCY ROCKLIN sat in as a visitor at a small portion of the NJCP State Convention held 1/27/57 at Newark, New Jersey.

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Descriptions of DAVID and LUCY ROCKLIN

Newark files reflect the following description of DAVID ROCKLIN as of January, 1960:

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Name	DAVID ROCKLIN, Aka. DAVID ERSHUN, DAN
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	10/4/99
POB	Either Russia or Poland
Height	5'7"
Weight	200
Build	Heavy
Hair	Dark, crewcut, tinged with gray
Glasses	Horn-rimmed glasses
Citizen	Naturalized U. S.

Newark files reflect the following description of
LUCY ROCKLIN as of 1953:

Name	LUCY GREENBERG ROCKLIN, Aka. LUCY GREENBERG, LUCY MENDELSON, Mrs. ABRAHAM MENDELSON, Mrs. DAVID ROCKLIN, LUCILLE ROCKLIN
Race	White
Sex	Female
DOB	5/4/94
POB	Manhattan, New York
Height	5'
Eyes	Hazel
Hair	Black
Build	Medium to heavy
Occupation	Housewife and piano teacher

Newark files reflect that in early 1957, ROCKLIN was driving a 1956 blue and gray DeSoto Sedan bearing N. J. license FYP 65.

The photograph of DAVID ROCKLIN which is being enclosed, is a photograph taken of ROCKLIN in 1955 at HCUA hearings. Also enclosed is a photograph taken at HCUA hearings in 1955 which is believed to be a photograph of LUCY ROCKLIN.

RE LEAD #4 IN RELET

Newark files reflect no information which can be identified with the names listed under this lead as not already characterized.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3/29/63

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (RUC)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS IN JALAPA
VERACRUZ, MEXICO
IS - MEXICO

Re memorandum to the Bureau from Legat, Mexico City, dated 1/31/63 and the report of SA RICHARD S. CLARK dated 1/31/63 at Mexico, D. F.

The names of all individuals mentioned in referenced report who might possibly have been from the Los Angeles area have been checked through the Los Angeles indices. These checks were all negative except as noted hereinafter.

CARLOTTA BASS is probably identical with CHARLOTTA BASS, Elsinore, California. BASS is retired and formerly was publisher-editor of the "California Eagle", a weekly Negro newspaper in Los Angeles. BASS was the vice-presidential candidate on the Progressive Party ticket in the 1952 Presidential elections. She has been a supporter and apologist for communist and communist front activities in the Los Angeles area for many years. It is noted that BASS travelled to Mexico for two weeks in late December, 1960, and early January, 1961. At this time BASS was reportedly in Tecate and Mexico City. [redacted] reported on 2/16/61 that while on this trip, BASS made efforts to propagandize verbally with anyone who spoke English in favor of the Soviet, the communist movement, and the CASTRO Government. While there, she was entertained at the home of ALBERT MALTZ. The purpose of this trip was to observe, study, and secure material for an article on Negro History Week for her paper.

It is further noted that BASS was accompanied by [redacted] Information concerning these persons and their trip was furnished the Legat, Mexico, by Los Angeles airtels dated 12/23/60, 1/3/61, and 1/12/61.

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Concerning [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] high school students, it is noted that a separate case is pending on these persons and information will be forwarded the Legat, Mexico, in connection with that case.

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There is no indication that BASS and her party travelled to Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico, and there is no other information readily identifiable bearing on recent travel of other subjects to this locality.

It is requested that two copies of this communication be forwarded the Legat, Mexico City.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 3/29/63

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK [redacted] (RUC)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS IN JALAPA,
VERACRUZ, MEXICO
IS - MEXICO

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Re letter of Legat, Mexico to Director and report of SA RICHARD S. CLARK at Mexico City, both dated 1/31/63.

Enclosed herewith are the original and six copies each of a letterhead memorandum and an evaluation memorandum for appropriate dissemination by the Bureau. A copy of this letterhead memorandum and evaluation memorandum are being furnished to the Los Angeles Office for information.

The attached letterhead memorandum is classified "~~Confidential~~" as it contains information from NY T-5 through NY T-8, which, if disclosed to unauthorized persons, might disclose the identities of these informants which would be prejudicial to the national defense.

The following are the sources used in the attached letterhead memorandum:

NY T-1
Legat, Mexico City
Letter to the Bureau, dated 1/31/63

NY T-2
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[redacted] per Bulet to Los Angeles.
7/20/48, captioned [redacted]
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NY T-8

Relet requested that the NYO should attempt to identify [redacted] of Hastings-on-Hudson, NY and advised that she has a background of security significance. A review of NY files reflects that this individual is undoubtedly identical with [redacted]

[redacted] (Bufile 100-405074, NY 100-98645), NY 100-92923), both of whom were reported living at [redacted] as of 1963.

A review of the files of [redacted] reflect that they have both been described as Communist Party members in the past and were formerly included on the Security Index of the NYO. The files also contained numerous references to their custody of [redacted]

[redacted] of Schools, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY, advised SA WILLIAM F. FLYNN, JR. that [redacted] was then attending Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania and that [redacted] was attending junior high school in Hastings-on-Hudson. It is considered probable that these individuals are identical with the [redacted] mentioned on Page 17 of relet.

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[redacted] mentioned in relet, is undoubtedly identical with the subject of Bufile [redacted] NY [redacted] since both reside in Yonkers, NY, which, it should be noted, is not far from Hastings-on-Hudson, NY. A letterhead memorandum captioned [redacted] SM - C" was submitted by the NYO on 7/27/62, at the time information was received of plans of [redacted] to travel to Veracruz, Mexico during the summer of 1962, with a group of other students and accompanied by the mother of one of the boys in the group. This information was furnished by [redacted]. This source was recontacted on 3/21/63, by SA [redacted] at which time the source stated that she did not know the name of the woman accompanying the group to Veracruz, Mexico and that she has no additional information concerning the school or other students who went there during 1962.

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[redacted] mentioned in relet, is undoubtedly identical with [redacted] (Bufile [redacted] NY [redacted]). According to records of the Passport Office, Department of State, revised on 9/12 - 26/60, by SA [redacted] that [redacted] reflected [redacted] who is probably identical with the [redacted] (Bufile [redacted] NY [redacted]) also mentioned in relet.

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CARLOTTA BASS, mentioned in relet, appears to be identical with CHARLOTTA A. BASS aka (Bufile 100-297187, NY 100-80224). As Los Angeles is office of origin in this case (Los Angeles 100-24346), no information concerning her is being set out in attached letterhead memorandum.

NY indices contain no references which can be identified with the [redacted] mentioned in relet, on the basis of available information.

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The following individuals could not be identified through indices of the NYO:

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[redacted] On 2/21/63, [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that he had no information concerning the use of the school at Jalapa, Mexico by the Communist Party, USA.

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[redacted] In February, 1963, [redacted] and [redacted] advised they had no information concerning such a school at Jalapa, Mexico.

A canvass of agents handling security matter cases in the NYO, failed to disclose any other cases of subjects known to have visited Jalapa, Mexico in recent years.

No further investigation in this matter is contemplated in NY and this case is being considered RUC.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New York, New York

March 29, 1963

Re: American Communists in Jalapa,
Veracruz, Mexico

NY T-1 furnished the names of [redacted]
[redacted] of Hastings-on-Hudson, New York
and of Ellen Hawley, Yonkers, New York, as having been
present at Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico during the summer of
1962. In addition, the same source advised that the
Jalapa newspaper "Diario Xalapa" for July 10, 1958,
contained an article reflecting that [redacted]
[redacted] attended the University of Veracruz
during the summer of 1958. Information is set out below
concerning individuals appearing to be identical with the
above-mentioned persons.

[redacted]

In the summer of 1948, NY T-2 stated that [redacted]
[redacted] stated that they were
also known respectively as [redacted]
He described the latter as a song lyricist. This source
stated that both [redacted] were members of
the Communist Party in the United States. According to
this source, they defended Russian policy, condemned
American policy and had solicited the source to join various
committees believed by source to have Communist affiliations.

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Re: American Communists in Jalapa,
Veracruz, Mexico

On May 29, 1953, NY T-3 advised that Anne Meeropol was a member of the Communist Party in New York City from 1938 to 1947.

On June 11, 1951, NY T-4 advised that he had known [redacted] a song writer, as a member of the Communist Party during 1946 and 1947 and that based on his recollection of Allan, he considered that he would still be loyal to the Communist Party as of that date.

On February 26, 1958, NY T-5 advised that [redacted] had adopted [redacted] Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, as a result of a court order issued by the Surrogate Court in New York County on February 26, 1958.

Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were convicted in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, of conspiracy to commit espionage on March 29, 1951 and were executed on June 19, 1953.

[redacted]
On June 20, 1962, NY T-6 advised that [redacted] was planning on attending the University of Veracruz during the summer of 1962.

On March 23, 1959, NY T-7 advised that [redacted] attended a meeting of the Yorkville Section Committee of the Communist Party on March 10, 1959.

On December 20, 1961, NY T-8 advised that [redacted] attended the Progressive Youth Organizing Committee (PYOC), First Regional Conference, held in New York on October 28, 29, 1959, as an observer.

A characterization of the PYOC is attached to the Appendix of this memorandum.

Re: American Communists in Jalapa,
Veracruz, Mexico

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The records of the Passport Office, United States Department of State, reviewed on September 12, and September 26, 1962, reflected that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] had United States passports in 1958 and had advised the State Department of their intention to travel to Europe during 1958. In 1959, [REDACTED] advised the Passport Office that her passport had been lost while traveling in Moscow, Russia, during 1959.

On April 30, 1948, [REDACTED] of the New York World Telegram, a New York City daily newspaper, advised that he had personal knowledge that [REDACTED]

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City, were then Communists and had been Communists for years.

Re: American Communists in Jalapa,
Veracruz, Mexico

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APPENDIX

PROGRESSIVE YOUTH ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

On February 9, 1961, a source advised that the Progressive Youth Organizing Committee (PYOC) was established at a national socialist-oriented youth conference held in Chicago, Illinois, December 30, 1960, through January 1, 1961. This conference was the result of a mandate issued by the National Executive Committee, Communist Party, USA, calling for a youth conference to establish an organizing committee whose objective would be to set up a national socialist-oriented youth organization. The conference scheduled a convention to be held within a year to found a new national socialist-oriented youth organization.

On June 18, 1962, a second source advised it was reported at the meeting of the National Council of the PYOC held, New York, New York, June 16 and 17, 1962, that although it had been planned to form a Marxist-oriented youth organization by the Fall of 1962, it would not be possible to form such an organization for the next few years.

On September 5, 1962, the second source advised PYOC has its headquarters at 80 Clinton Street, New York, New York.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

March 29, 1963

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Title American Communists in Jalapa,
Veracruz, Mexico

Character Internal Security - Mexico

Reference is made to the memorandum dated
and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

NY T-2 is a source who furnished insufficient
contact to determine his reliability.

Legal Attache, Mexico City

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Director, FBI (100-422116)

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ReBulet dated 6/21/61 and the report of SA
 dated 9/13/61.

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The Bureau desires that a report similar to referenced report be prepared concerning the American Communist Group in Mexico at this time. You should be certain that information set forth is carefully paraphrased in such a manner as to prevent the compromising of any of your sources. This report should indicate that the American Communist Group in Mexico is not an organized group as such and does not have an official name.

This report should be prepared suitable for dissemination and will be of considerable intelligence value to the Bureau and other interested agencies.

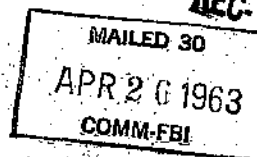
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The American Communist Group in Mexico is an unorganized nonformal group comprised of American citizens residing in Mexico with communist affiliations. Although pertinent information concerning them has been submitted to the Bureau under individual case captions, it is believed desirable that an over-all report be obtained at this time. The last such report was dated 9/13/61.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

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DATE: 4/11/63

FROM : SAC, BOSTON

SUBJECT: HARVEY EDWARD O'CONNOR
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(Bufile 100-35340)
(BS 100-23224)

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Re: Report of SA RICHARD S. CLARK dated 1/31/63 at
Mexico, D.F., and memorandum to the Director from
U Legat, Mexico City, dated 1/31/63, both captioned,
AMERICAN COMMUNISTS IN JALAPA, VERACRUZ, MEXICO,
IS - MEXICO

U Referenced report and memorandum and Boston indices have been
reviewed and no additional information has been located pertinent
to the allegation that the CPUSA used Jalapa for training members
for work in Latin America.

U No references were found in Boston indices identifiable with
[redacted]

U With the exception of HARVEY O'CONNOR and [redacted]
[redacted] mentioned in referenced report, Boston is not aware
of the identities of any other subjects known to have traveled
to Jalapa, Mexico in recent years.

U Names set forth in referenced report as [redacted] attended the
1958 summer session at Jalapa, Mexico have been searched through
Boston indices and no identifiable information has been located.

The case of "HARVEY EDWARD O'CONNOR, SM-C" is maintained in a
pending inactive status at Boston.

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Legal Attache, Mexico City [REDACTED]

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Director, FBI (100-373605)

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Reurlet 3-25-63 advising that Lini Moerkerk Stoumen, better known as Lini DeVries, is planning to participate in the summer session of the University of Morelos at Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico, which she anticipates will be attended by procommunists from the United States and Venezuela. It is noted that DeVries contacted captioned informants to see if they would be interested in renting a home in Cuernavaca for the six weeks summer school, which would thereafter be available to her and to the various visitors to the school as a secure message center.

You should follow developments in this matter closely and keep the Bureau advised of those developments and your recommendations.

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Director, FBI

March 25, 1963

Legat, Mexico City

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AMERICAN COMMUNISTS IN JALAPA, VERACRUZ, MEXICO
INTERNAL SECURITY - MEXICO

BU File 100-422116

MC File [REDACTED] (P)

Rerep SA RICHARD S. CLARK, 1-31-63, captioned
"AMERICAN COMMUNISTS IN JALAPA, VERACRUZ, MEXICO."

[REDACTED] who have furnished reliable information in the past, advised March 15, 1963, that LINI MOERKERK STOUMEN (BuFile 101-4782), better known as LINI DE VRIES, recently approached them regarding her plans to associate with the summer session of the University of Morelos at Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico. She indicated that this school would be operated in a similar fashion to the school with which she was associated at Jalapa and that many of those attending would be repeaters. She anticipates about 250 students, including about 25 teachers. She said about 75 of the students would be accompanied by their parents on vacation and that these were predominantly progressive families. She stressed that although most of the teachers are generally themselves progressive, politics are strictly prohibited in the classes since this might cause the Government to close the school. However, she indicated that what happened outside the classes was none of her concern and that the stay in Cuernavaca permitted progressives to get together outside school. She said [REDACTED] (BuFile 100-18314) originally suggested to her the idea of the schools.

She identified past alumni of the school as the
[REDACTED] all identified in

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_____ (PH), who referenced report. She noted that _____ children after the ROSENBERGs' execution, have been at the school before and will return this summer. In addition, she said that members of the SOBELL family would also be attending and have attended in the past. She said this gives some idea of the caliber of progressives attending the school. Additionally, she expected some Venezuelans and a union leader from Colombia.

She especially sought out informants because they had been recommended to her as reliable, discreet, at home in the language and in Cuernavaca, and because she heard they often spent some time in the summer in Cuernavaca. She hoped to interest their daughter in attending the school and wanted to know if they would rent a home in Cuernavaca which would thereafter be available to her and to the various visitors to the school as a secure message center.

They remain in contact with DE VRIES, and this office is making no recommendations as to whether the expenditure of this substantial sum would be justified until further particulars have been received from DE VRIES.

It is noted that in early April 1963 informants contemplate a short trip to Guaymas, Sonora, to meet the brother of _____ from San Francisco. En route, they will be furnishing coverage on subjects of interest in Michoacan,

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Jalisco, and Guanajuato. In view of the missile tracking station at Guaymas, it is also believed that a stay in that area would be beneficial in determining if there are any North Americans of security interest in that area. They have been, therefore, authorized to make this trip which, they expect, will last about a week.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE:

4/26/63

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-46959) (RUC)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS IN
JALAPA, VERACRUZ, MEXICO;
IS - MEXICO

Re report of SA RICHARD S. CLARK and Legat, Mexico City, to Bureau, both dated 1/31/63 at Mexico City, and Bureau letter to Legat, Mexico City, 2/15/63.

Two extra copies of this letter are furnished the Bureau in order to be transmitted to the Legat, Mexico City.

For the information of the Bureau and the Legat, Mexico City, a review of the Philadelphia indices and security case files, and discussion with security case agents at squad conferences, developed no indication that the Communist Party, Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware (CPEPD), is utilizing Jalapa, Mexico, for training CP members from the Philadelphia area to work in Latin America.

The names [redacted] and CARLOTA BEASS, could not be identified in the indices of the Philadelphia Office.

No Philadelphia subjects other than [redacted] are known to have traveled to Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico, in recent years.

The names set forth in referenced report as having attended the 1958 Summer Session at the University of Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico, were reviewed, and none, other than [redacted] were identifiable in the Philadelphia Office indices.

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- 1 - Philadelphia (100-46959)

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Security case agents have been advised to remain alert for any information indicating that a security subject plans to travel to Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico, in the future. It has likewise been pointed out that they should have informants and sources remain alert for any other information tending to substantiate the supposition of [REDACTED] that the University at Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico, is being used as a training ground for the CPUSA.

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REPORTING OFFICE MEXICO CITY	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUREAU	DATE JUN 12 1963	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 2/6 - 6/7/63
TITLE OF CASE CHANGED: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO		REPORT MADE BY SA RICHARD S. CLARK	TYPED BY eim.
		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - MEXICO	

Title was formerly carried as "AMERICAN COMMUNISTS IN JALAPA, VERACRUZ, MEXICO."

SYNOPSIS:

Mexico
LINI DE VRIES is now associated with the Summer School of the University of Morelos, Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico. She plans to operate in the same fashion in Morelos as she did in Jalapa. She is anticipating a large number of "progressives" to attend the summer session of 1963. Further information set out concerning persons noted in Jalapa.

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LINE DE VRIES' PLANS REGARDING
SCHOOL IN CUERNAVACA, MORELOS

T-1 advised in March of 1963 that LINE DE VRIES, who had moved from Jalapa, Veracruz, to Mexico, D. F., was planning to associate herself with the Summer School of the University of Morelos, Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico. DE VRIES planned to operate in the same capacity in Cuernavaca as she had for so many years in Jalapa. T-1 noted that Cuernavaca was DE VRIES' original place of residence in Mexico.

T-1 advised that this makes about seven years that DE VRIES has been working with summer schools in Mexico. When she departed Cuernavaca, she worked for about two years in Oaxaca with schools there and then for about five years in Jalapa. She credits herself with building up the summer sessions in Jalapa from nothing to the point where hundreds of Americans were attending each summer. She hopes to do the same thing in Cuernavaca.

For the 1963 summer session in Cuernavaca, DE VRIES anticipates approximately 250 students of senior high school and college level. Additionally, she anticipates approximately 25 teachers from the east coast of the United States. About 75 of the students will be accompanied by their parents, who will be vacationing in Cuernavaca at the same time their

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children are attending the school. DE VRIES indicated that most of these family groups would be "progressives."

T-1 noted that the term "progressive" is utilized as an euphonism among the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) to denote a Communist or, at any rate, a person whom the Communists consider politically reliable.

According to T-1, the ACGM is a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the Communist Party and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for Communism and the Soviet Union.

DE VRIES claims that the bulk of the students who register come through "progressive" contacts. However, she said that the school itself is strictly non-political and that no politics and no intrigues are tolerated in the classes, although most of the faculty are also "progressive." She claims that any political activity in the school would cause the Education Minister to close the school and, therefore, the school is completely divorced from politics.

She plans, as she did in Jalapa, to make arrangements for students to live with local families. Additionally, she plans to use some of the local hotels in Cuernavaca as dormitories. All students from "progressive" homes will be domiciled exclusively in private homes.

As indicative of the caliber of "progressives" in attendance, she has mentioned that the [redacted] after ROSENBERGS' execution for espionage, have attended in the past and she expects them again this coming session in Cuernavaca. She also expects students from Colombia and Venezuela. Although the school itself is completely non-political in nature, she indicates that the holding of the school provides a gathering place for persons of mutual political sympathies who gather privately after classes away from the school.

T-1, on May 15, 1963, advised that DE VRIES reportedly has rented a home for herself in Cuernavaca and plans

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to move to Cuernavaca immediately after the wedding of her [redacted] in June of 1963.

ADDITIONAL PERSONS IDENTIFIED AS
CONNECTED WITH SCHOOL AT JALAPA

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The Jalapa newspaper "Diario Xalapa," in the issue for July 10, 1958, contained an article regarding the opening of summer courses at the University of Veracruz and indicated [redacted] were in attendance.

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The records of the Passport Office, U. S. Department of State, reviewed on September 12 and 26, 1962, reflected that [redacted]

C.P. Member

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[redacted] had United States passports in 1958 and had advised the State Department of their intention to travel to Europe during 1958. In 1959, [redacted] advised the Passport Office that her passport had been lost while traveling in Moscow, Russia, during 1959.

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On April 30, 1948, [redacted] of the "New York World Telegram," a New York City daily newspaper, advised that he had personal knowledge that Dr. [redacted]

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[redacted] were then Communists and had been Communists for years.

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T-2 advised in the summer of 1962 that among those listed as attending the summer session of the University of Veracruz at Jalapa were listed the names [redacted] and [redacted]

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C.P. Member

T-3 advised in the summer of 1948 that [redacted] and [redacted]

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[redacted] also known respectively as [redacted] were known by him to be members of the Communist Party. *Member*

T-4 advised February 26, 1958, that [redacted]

of ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.

JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG were convicted in the U. S. District Court, Southern District of New York, of conspiracy to commit espionage and were executed on June 19, 1953.

ELLEN HAWLEY

Mexico
T-2 advised that the name [redacted] appeared on a list of summer students attending the 1962 summer session of the University of Veracruz.

T-5 advised in June of 1962 that [redacted] was planning to attend the University of Veracruz in the summer of 1962.

T-6 advised in March of 1959 that [redacted] attended a meeting of the Yorkville Section Committee of the Communist Party that month.

Member
T-7, in December of 1961, advised [redacted] was an observer at the First Regional Conference of the Progressive Youth Organizing Committee (PYOC) in New York October 28, 1959. The PYOC was established as a result of a mandate issued by the National Executive Committee of the Communist Party, U.S.A.

[redacted] T-2 advised that the name [redacted] appeared on a list of summer students at the University of Veracruz in 1958.

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T-8, in March of 1960, identified [] as an acquaintance of [] the [] of the Northern California District Communist Party. He advised that [] was active in opposition to the hearings held by the House Committee on Un-American Activities in San Francisco May 13, 1960.

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Reference is made to the memorandum dated and
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All informants mentioned in referenced memorandum
have furnished reliable information in the past, with the
exception of T-3, with whom contact has been insufficient to
establish reliability.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: JUN 12 1963

FROM : LEGAT, MEXICO CITY () (P)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING
SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO
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ENCLOSURES:

Enclosed are 12 copies of the report of SA RICHARD S. CLARK, dated and captioned as above, together with 12 copies of the letterhead memorandum evaluating the sources utilized.

REFERENCES:

Report of SA RICHARD S. CLARK, dated 1/31/63 at Mexico, D. F., and Mexico City letters to the Bureau dated 3/25/63 and 4/30/63.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Previously reported was information from [] and [] that CHARLES SMOLIKOFF had indicated in January 1961 that a CARLOTTA BASS was in Jalapa. It is clear that this refers to CHARLOTTA BASS (Bufile 100-297187), who was identified as having visited in Mexico with some other security subjects in January of 1961. Los Angeles reported rather detailed information concerning BASS' visit in Mexico and there was no indication that she had traveled to Jalapa.

[] advised 4/30/63 that he had conducted investigation at Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico, in an effort to identify the person with whom [] arrived when she first arrived at that locality. He made inquiry at the

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Edificio Estela, corner of Primo Verdad and Zaragoza, and was unable to develop any information concerning the identity of this individual.

[redacted] also conducted inquiry concerning the tenants at [redacted] in Jalapa. He determined that LINI DE VRIES had no connection with Apartment [redacted] in that building. However, [redacted] was occupied by [redacted]

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[redacted] who were visiting professors at the University of Veracruz. Apparently DE VRIES secured this apartment for them. The apartment was rented by them for 800 pesos (\$64.00 U.S.) a month until they departed for California late in 1962.

It is noted that information has been received from the Embassy concerning [redacted] whose stay in Jalapa was partially financed by the U. S. Government. There was considerable feeling that the [redacted] had allowed themselves to be dominated by DE VRIES and were naive concerning DE VRIES' political coloration.

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CLASSIFICATION:

~~The enclosed report has been classified "Confidential" inasmuch as it contains information from security informants operating in a foreign field, the disclosure of whose identities would be inimical to the national defense interests of the United States.~~

LEADS:

MEXICO CITY

At Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico

* Will continue efforts to secure a list of adult Americans who have attended Summer School in Jalapa.

At Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico

Will follow and report activities of LINI DE VRIES and the Summer School of the University of Morelos.

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DIRECTOR, FBI

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ReBulet 2/15/63 captioned "American Communists in Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico," and remylet 3/25/63 captioned as above.

The investigative lead at Jalapa, Veracruz, to secure lists of American adult students at the school there was assigned to [REDACTED] who is acquainted with conditions in that area and who has proper credentials for work in that area. However, he has been tied up on other matters and it was not possible for him to make a special trip to Jalapa. He is presently on a trip to that area, and it is expected that this information will be available for forwarding to the Bureau upon his return.

Regarding LINI DE VRIES' contemplated summer school

[REDACTED]
Bureau and appropriate offices will be furnished lists of students at the Jalapa school when available. Mexico City will consider opening a separate case on the Morelos school when it is in operation.

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[redacted] observations concerning the ACGM over the [redacted] years set out in detail. b6 b7C

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The following information was obtained in June
of 1963 from T-1, a confidant of [redacted]

[redacted] is a [redacted]
who works in Mexico as a [redacted] She is
[redacted] and recently
herself became a Mexican citizen. Both she and her husband
are members of the Communist Party of Mexico (Partido
Comunista Mexicano - PCM) and are dedicated communists. In addition, they associate closely with the American
Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) and act as a sort of
liaison between the PCM and the ACGM, particularly in
collecting funds from the individuals of the ACGM for PCM
causes.

The ACGM is a loose association in Mexico on
a predominantly social basis of present and/or past
members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends
and associates who share a common sympathy for
communism and the Soviet Union.

The published statutes of the PCM state: "The
Communist Party of Mexico has as its final objectives
to construct socialism and to build the communist
society in Mexico."

All persons named hereinafter have been identified
by T-1 as associates of the ACGM.

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Both of the [] claim to be disgusted with the vast majority of the individuals in the ACGM. This is based on a number of reasons. Probably the principal reason for their hostility is the reluctance they encounter in making collections from members of the ACGM. Additionally, [] is a strongly nationalistic Mexican and basically hostile to all Americans. Also [] is sensitive about

[] claim that the American colony in Mexico has grown prosperous and forgotten their responsibility to Mexico and to the Communist Party of Mexico. They attempt to avoid this obligation by claiming that they are donating to the Communist Party, USA (CP, USA). However, [] cannot verify this and feel that people who have lived in Mexico for ten years owe their principal obligation here. Even those who do make contributions in Mexico, although aiding the cause financially, do nothing in their private lives to further the cause and do not act like comrades. In fact, they are no different from the Spaniards who came to Mexico after the Civil War in Spain and are now rich. As an example, [] said that CHARLES

SMALL (CHARLES SMOLIKOFF) was among the first of the American communists to take refuge in Mexico. He was a routine trade union organizer and had no particular importance to the party in the United States. The company "Ricardo Rodriguez, S.A." was set up to take care of

[] SAMUEL NOVICK supplied most of the original money to set up this business. Later

SMALL bought back all the original stock himself and split off from [] retained "Ricardo

Rodriguez, S.A.," although [] SAMUEL NOVICK, [] received

substantial interest in [] operation. [] now gets about \$600 a month from his stock and also draws a substantial salary. [] also draws about \$600 a month from stock in this business. SMALL has also prospered tremendously in his business venture in Mexico.

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[] claims that there were a lot more important people than [] that the Party could have aided back in 1950. Now [] and SMALL and the rest exploit Mexico and the Mexicans. [] had a fight over the way [] was exploiting his workers.

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In spite of her feelings toward these individuals, [] still has to rely upon them for contributions.

[] were even more bitter concerning SAMUEL NOVICK for his exploitation of Mexican labor and for his failure to stand by his principles. [] said NOVICK has been protected, financed and indulged until he feels no responsibility to anyone or anything.

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However, she considers SAMUEL BROOKS to be the root of all the evil in the ACGM. As long as she can remember and as long as she has been working with the Party in Mexico, SAM BROOKS has been considered the Latin American authority who decided who was to go where and what groups were to be supported. [] said she herself had more experience in Mexico than BROOKS, who originally came to Mexico in 1939. She said BROOKS had been considered the Latin American authority in New York even before he came to Mexico. She claimed that everything he has handled has been a failure.

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She said a textile business had been set up for the Spanish loyalist refugees and BROOKS handed the whole operation over to a homosexual from New York with no party background who has done nothing, either then or since, for the party []. Additionally, BROOKS fostered unity between the Mexican communists and the American communist colony. Before BROOKS, relations between these groups were excellent, but since his arrival in Mexico, a disunity has existed between these groups.

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[] said she herself first came to Mexico in 1939, 1940 and 1941 with [] who was then []. She came to Mexico to work for the Taller de Grafica Popular (Popular Arts Work Shop - TGP), an association of artists formed for communist propagandizing. At the time of her arrival there was a North American group functioning intimately and cooperatively with the Mexican communists. []

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[] was very important at that time and far more of an authority on Mexico and Latin America than BROOKS. Additionally, relations between the international group then living in Mexico and the Russians were very close. [] organized a group of United States communists in Mexico which was called the Club Litvinov. MEX

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SAM BROOKS hated [] and spent years trying to discredit her. [] who had returned to the United States with [] separated from him and returned to Mexico where she met her present husband, wanted to associate with the [] group. However, she was assigned to another group consisting of ASA ZATZ, [] FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELDS and others.

[] said that the people who have prospered in Mexico, []

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[] have never done one thing toward furthering the revolution which ostensibly was their purpose in coming to Mexico. She said that [] grew rich through the aid of SAM BROOKS and is another one she does not trust. She considers him a homosexual and a crook and feels like denouncing him when she sees him at the Russian and Polish Embassies.

She cannot understand why BROOKS got such an important plum as the Zeiss Distributorship when he has botched so many assignments. As proof of his incapacity, he has failed to prosper with this distributorship and, in fact, is in poor financial condition.

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REFERENCE

Report of SA [redacted] dated 9-13-61 at Mexico City.

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Mexico City is currently engaged in the research preparatory to submitting a comprehensive report similar to referenced report. This necessarily involves the review of all files of present and past associates of the ACGM. Meanwhile, pending completion of this project, Mexico City is submitting enclosed report containing information recently furnished by [redacted] to [redacted]

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		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - MEXICO	

SYNOPSIS:

Summer school, University of Morelos, Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico, inaugurated 7/6/63. Approximately 100 U. S. students attending. LINI DE VRIES has rented a house in Cuernavaca for duration of school and is associated with a group of Americans down for the summer, not connected with the school, of some security interest.

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Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico newspapers reported that 100 United States students would be studying sketching, painting, sculptoring, engraving, regional dances, singing and guitar in the summer courses offered for the first time by the University of Morelos. The students were expected to arrive July 5, 1963.

The following information was furnished by T-1 in June and July, 1963:

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LINI DE VRIES, who claims to have organized this school, was expecting about 80 college students and 120 adults, teachers and tourists.

The school was inaugurated on the night of Saturday, July 6, 1963, with ceremonies held at the Casino De La Selva in Cuernavaca. It was a typical opening ceremony with no suggestion of political coloration. Officials of the State of Morelos were present and delivered standard greetings. Mr. JAMES WEBB, the Cultural Attache of the U. S. Embassy, Mexico, D. F., delivered a cordial message. Also present at the ceremony was IRVING SALERT, Labor Attache of the U. S. Embassy. Approximately 400 people attended the ceremony.

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The operation of the summer school appears to parallel the summer school which DE VRIES organized in Jalapa. The courses are contrived to attract American students to Mexico. The students are charged \$75.00 U.S. for the school session, plus \$3.00 per day for subsistence with a Mexican family. 110 students from the United States were reportedly registered. From all indications, they have come for purely scholastic reasons and not for political considerations. The entire promotion of the summer classes appears to be bona fide and non-political.

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However, concomitant to the opening of the school, a number of adults who appeared to be more than ordinarily significant from a subversive standpoint appeared in Cuernavaca. Some of these were friends of DE VRIES from the American Communist Group in Mexico - ACGM, such as MARGARET WALTZ who stayed with DE VRIES at the time of the opening, while others were visitors from the United States who utilized the home DE VRIES had rented at Humboldt #306 for a gathering place. USA MET 110

According to this source, the ACGM is a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for communism and the Soviet Union.

These people appear to have no direct connection with the University and did not appear to have children attending classes. Among these people political conversations were avoided. However, mutual leftist sympathies seemed to be assumed. When these people referred to friends living in Mexico, they nearly always mentioned personalities in the ACGM. Among these people was [redacted]

[redacted] children of the ROSENBERGs who were executed for espionage. b6
[redacted] the ROSENBERG children with her in Mexico. b7C

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There was also a young Negro attorney, [redacted] who claimed to be a leader in a militant integration organization.

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[redacted] associates [redacted] of the ACGM who reside permanently in Cuernavaca, [redacted] have been avoiding association with DE VRIES and her friends, fearing a repetition of the scandals of years past when Cuernavaca received a lot of publicity as being a center for U. S. communists. In fact, the [redacted] are thinking of moving back to Mexico City.

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SOURCE

T-1 is [redacted] reporting jointly. Information reported herein is a summary of the information furnished by them in the past two years concerning the ACC. This information is filed in Mexico City File [redacted] as well as disseminated locally to the case files on the individuals concerned.

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ACGM continues as an informal association of persons with mutual communist sympathies. Approximately thirty persons identified as pertaining to the inner circle of this group, with another forty or so identified on the fringe of this group as well as another thirty who do not reside in Mexico but associate with the ACGM on visits. Residence, employments, and thumbnail sketches of these individuals set out. No attempts at formal organization. Most are relatively inactive for fear of disturbing their status in Mexico. Sino-Soviet schism has been mirrored within the ACGM. [redacted] and her husband have traveled to Cuba this year 1963.

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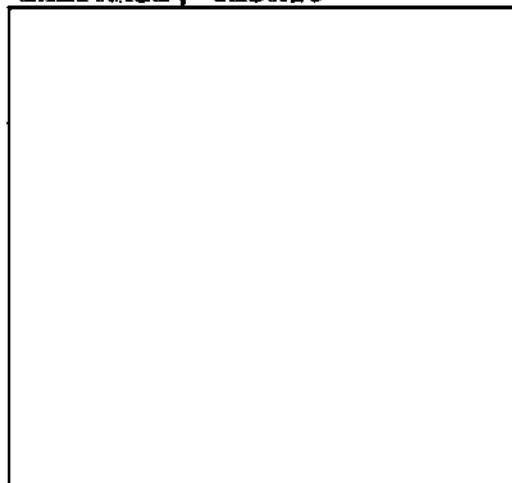
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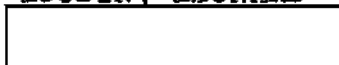
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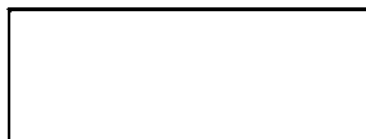
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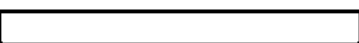
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The American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) is
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dominantly social nature of present and/or past members of
the Communist Party, USA (CP, USA), and their friends and
associates who share a common sympathy with communism and the
Soviet Union. (S) u

It must be emphasized that this is an arbitrary
name and that there has been no formal organization of these
people in Mexico. There are no meetings, officers, discipline,
or expressed collective aims. There is nothing approaching a
formal membership and no specific number of associates. (S) u

The hard core of the group is formed around about
thirty Americans, many of whom came to Mexico about 1950. (S) u

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considering themselves to be political refugees. Their obvious continuing allegiance to communism and mutual social involvement has provided a continuity justifying the cited characterization ~~U~~

Mutual political sympathy has led to social involvement and the further circumstance of being in a foreign country has led to a rather tight-knit group. That they themselves recognize the existence of an informal communist club may be divined from the approaches of the Mexican Communist Party (PCM) to this group for funds, the distribution of communist literature from the United States, the rallying together in time of trouble, and the joint hospitality accorded by members of this group to communists visiting from the United States ~~U~~

B. FUNDS ~~U~~

The ACGM has no common treasury and for the past two years there have been no widespread attempts to raise funds among the group for a common cause or for the CP, USA. ~~U~~

Most of the fund-raising activity has been in the form of approaches by [redacted] to collect for PCM causes. Additionally, ASA ZATZ and his [redacted] on infrequent occasions make collections among the ACGM for Guatemalan CP causes. ~~U~~

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For example, in March 1963, ZATZ was collecting for a fund for the education of the children of Guatemalan "refugees" and, during December 1962, as in past years, the ZATZes were selling Christmas cards for the benefit of Guatemalan "refugees." ~~U~~

It is noted that although continuing to contribute to these causes, [redacted] and CHARLES SMALL have warned the other members of the group to be extremely careful and ~~U~~

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discreet in making such contributions, to avoid any difficulties with the Mexican Government. They particularly warn against contributions to any type of activity involving Cuba. ~~XX~~ U

C. RELATIONSHIP WITH MEXICAN COMMUNIST PARTY (PCM) ~~XX~~ U

The published statutes of the Partido Comunista Mexicano (Mexican Communist Party - PCM) state, "The Communist Party of Mexico has as its final objectives to construct Socialism and to build the Communist society in Mexico." ~~XX~~ U

On a number of occasions in the past two years, [] has approached the individuals of this group for contributions to aid various PCM causes. [] an American Negro sculptress married to the Mexican artist, [] recently was naturalized as a Mexican citizen. Both [] are members of the PCM. They commonly associate with the ACGM and act as a sort of a liaison between the ACGM and the PCM. ~~XX~~ U

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The [] successfully collected funds from various associates of the ACGM for such causes at the congress of the PCM scheduled for November 1962 at Mexico, DF, and for a PCM leadership school during the winter of 1962-63. In March 1963, [] was attempting to collect money to pay a bribe to effect the release of a PCM member who had been arrested. ~~XX~~ U

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She claims to have been particularly successful among the more prosperous members of the ACGM, such as [] CHARLES SMALL, SAMUEL NOVICK, [] and, until his departure, ALBERT MALTZ. ~~XX~~ U

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[] has commented that these rich comrades will always give, no matter how much they protest, with the exception of FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, who claims to make ~~XX~~ U

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all his donations in the United States ~~(S)~~ U

[] also sold a number of raffle tickets among the ACGM to finance the costs of her trip to Cuba in January 1963. The prize was to be one of her sculptures ~~(S)~~ U

T-1 was unable to estimate the amount collected annually from the ACGM by the [] but advised it undoubtedly runs to tens of thousands of pesos. He noted that on one occasion the [] said they had to raise 10,000 pesos (\$800) the same day and claimed to have received 5,000 pesos (\$400) of this from SAMUEL NOVICK ~~(S)~~ U

Other than these donations and limited relationship with some Mexican Party members, there is little contact between the ACGM and the PCM. Indeed, there is considerable sentiment in the ACGM that such contact should be avoided as possibly prejudicial, another example of the recurring fear of deportation ~~(S)~~ U

The ACGM clearly does not feel any obligation of discipline to the PCM ~~(S)~~ U

B. GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION ~~(S)~~ U

Of the American communists resident in Mexico, by far the majority reside in the Federal District. In years past, the near-by resort city of Cuernavaca was notorious for its colony of American communists, but in recent years this group has dwindled to a handful, aging and inactive. LINI DE VRIES' school may spark a renewed interest in that area. ~~(S)~~ U

San Miguel de Allende, in the state of Guanajuato, had a lesser reputation of the same kind, but very little activity has been noted in recent years in that area. Jalapa, Veracruz, has had a number of transients of security interest, possibly due to the presence there of LINI DE VRIES ~~(S)~~ U

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Allegations concerning this community will be dealt with in a separate section. ~~XX~~ U

The state of Michoacan boasts several persons of pertinence in isolated locations. ~~XX~~ (U)

E. SINO-SOVIET CONTROVERSY ~~XX~~ U

The publicity given to the differences between the Soviet Union and China during this past year has been the subject of discussion and discord in the ACGM. [redacted] and SAMUEL BROOKS have discussed the possibility that the PCM would soon split into three groups: one supporting the "hard line" of China-Albania, one supporting KHRUSHCHEV and peaceful coexistence, and the third a purely nationalistic group supporting neither of the opposing foreign viewpoints. ~~XX~~ U

Within the ACGM there has been a hesitancy to take strong stands on this matter. In general it is considered that [redacted] SAMUEL BROOKS, SAMUEL NOVICK, and possibly CHARLES SMALL originally tended to side with the Soviets, while ASA ZATZ, the [redacted] and HAYWOOD HALL advocate the Chinese viewpoint. SAMUEL BROOKS and [redacted] have been most vehement in their respective stands, and this has resulted in rupturing their personal relationship. [redacted] has said that coexistence is unthinkable, and BROOKS claims alignment behind China would mean the end of mankind. ~~XX~~ U

In March 1963, CHARLES SMALL was praising an article in the United States communist periodical, THE WORKER, which apparently in effect said editorially that China should get back on the Soviet line. The [redacted] were bitter about the article. ~~XX~~ U

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F. THE CUBAN SITUATION ~~YX~~ U

Various persons in the ACGM maintain correspondence with former ACGM associates now residing in Cuba. There is intense interest in Cuba and wholehearted support of FIDEL CASTRO. However, aside from the [] who are Mexican citizens, the members of the ACGM avoid overt actions in furtherance of these sympathies to avoid prejudicing their positions in Mexico with Mexican authorities, whom they fear are attempting to link United States communists to Cuba to establish a conspiracy. Both [] on the other hand, have personally traveled to Cuba in 1963. ~~YX~~ U

Personal accounts of Cuba have been received by the ACGM from such travelers as [] and CEDRIC BELFRAGE. ~~YX~~ (U)

The [] furnished a surprisingly bleak report of progress in Cuba following their visits. They report that former associates of the ACGM have achieved considerable prominence in Cuba. [] the National Ballet, [] of press relations and his [] works for the New York law firm representing Cuba, [] the Hotel Commission, and MAURICE HALPERIN has considerable stature as economic advisor. [] He and his [] recently returned to Mexico for a visit and renewed contacts in the ACGM. [] was reportedly seen acting as part of CASTRO's bodyguard. IVAN [] FIREBY are also reported to be prominently placed in Cuba. ~~YX~~ U

The [] accounts of long hours, overtime on guard duty, shortages, bureaucratic bungling, etc., are hardly apt to win any Cuban recruits from among the relatively soft and prosperous comrades of the ACGM. ~~YX~~ U

Nevertheless, there are recent reports that ASA ZATZ has been invited (or ordered) to move to Cuba and will probably go, although with considerable reluctance. ~~YX~~ U

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G. ACTIONS BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES AGAINST ACGM

In early November 1962, [redacted] returned from Havana, Cuba, to Mexico City. Although apparently not previously in contact with the ACGM, she had excellent credentials and was immediately accepted to intimacy ~~XX~~ U

On November 4, 1962, [redacted] reportedly attended a meeting in Mexico City of the communist-oriented National Liberation Movement. They were apprehended by Mexican police in the vicinity of the meeting and were deported to the United States by air the same date. The ACGM feared she was a courier and had incriminating material with her ~~XX~~ U

This caused considerable apprehension among the ACGM and brought repeated warnings from [redacted] SMALL, BROOKS, etc., to avoid any involvement in Mexican political activity and particularly to avoid involvement in Cuban matters. It was considered that [redacted] had been extremely indiscreet in attending this meeting and through her indiscretion had placed the entire colony in jeopardy. Several in the ACGM made themselves unavailable for a time after this incident ~~XX~~ U ✓

Although this constituted the only known positive action directed against the ACGM during this period, there were a number of incidents which caused alarm among the colony ~~XX~~ U

Upon the visit of President KENNEDY to Mexico City late in June 1962, virtually all the personalities of any prominence in the ACGM disappeared from the capital so as to be unavailable for any possible roundup by Mexican authorities. ~~XX~~ U

Similarly, a number of associates of the ACGM absented themselves from Mexico City during the visit of President ROMULO BETANCOURT of Venezuela in February 1963. ~~XX~~ U

On neither occasion were there any apprehensions ~~XX~~ U

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among the Americans, although reportedly on both occasions there were widespread arrests among Mexican communists. Also there were on both occasions reports of Mexican authorities checking at residences and employments of various associates of the ACGM, such as CHARLES SMALL, and it was generally felt that these individuals would have been apprehended if available, although there was also speculation that these were just shakedown attempts. After the dignitaries' departures, the colony returned unmolested to normal life. ~~SECRET~~ U

H. ALLEGATIONS THAT MEXICO UTILIZED BY CP, USA AS TRAINING GROUND ~~SECRET~~ U

Over the years it has been noted that a number of persons from the United States who appeared to have backgrounds of communist activity traveled to the isolated community of Jalapa in the state of Veracruz where LINI DE VRIES was associated with the summer school of the University of Jalapa. The allegation gained credence among the ACGM that Jalapa was being used by the CP, USA, as a cheap and effective way of training persons for work in Latin America. DE VRIES herself has boasted of the "progressives" attracted to "her" school. ~~SECRET~~ U

In December 1962, DE VRIES moved from Jalapa to Mexico City and thereafter announced plans to act as organizer for the summer school of the University of Morelos at Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico. She claimed that the classes themselves would have absolutely no political content, to avoid trouble with state authorities, but hinted that there would be a large number of "progressive" families in attendance and this gives them an opportunity to get together outside of the school. She pointed to [redacted] the ROSENBERGS, executed for espionage, as indicative of the calibre of persons attracted by these summer sessions. ~~SECRET~~ U

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I. LITERATURE AND PROPAGANDA ~~Yes~~ u

During the past two years, the ACGM has not engaged in any sort of production or distribution of propaganda material. ~~Yes~~ u

CHARLES SMALL, among others, regularly receives various CP periodicals such as THE WORKER and the NATIONAL GUARDIAN and thereafter distributes some of this material around the ACGM. ~~Yes~~ u

J. INTERNATIONAL BRIGADE ACTIVITIES ~~Yes~~ u

There has been no activity noted on the part of the veterans of the Spanish Civil War resident in Mexico. In fact, these individuals, with the exception of LINI DE VRIES, seem to be among the least active politically of the ACGM.

[redacted] the U.S. ~~Yes~~ u
[redacted] are now considered anticommunist by the ACGM ~~Yes~~ u

[redacted] reportedly was approached by a representative of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade who desired that he attempt to arrange for General LAZARO CARDENAS, the notoriously leftist ex-President of Mexico, to speak at a reunion of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade in the United States.

[redacted] made it clear that he did not want to be involved in any such activities. ~~Yes~~ u

The Abraham Lincoln Brigade has been cited by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

K. MISCELLANEOUS ~~Yes~~ u

In February 1962, the actress, MARILYN MONROE, u visited in Mexico City and during this visit associated ~~Yes~~ u

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closely with various of the ACGM, particularly with FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD. Gossip among the ACGM had it that a mutual infatuation arose between MONROE and FIELD, threatening FIELD's marriage. FIELD accompanied her on several local trips. MONROE was also in contact with [redacted] and GEORGE PEPPER. MONROE departed Mexico March 2, 1962. Later, when FIELD traveled to New York, he reportedly used MONROE's apartment there, and upon her suicide expressed concern over possible difficulties regarding some pre-Columbian artifacts he had given her. *let u*

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Prior to her suicide, she commissioned [redacted] an associate of the ACGM during her stay in Mexico, to come to Mexico from Los Angeles to buy decorator's items for her. MONROE's traveling companion had expressed the belief that MONROE's marriage to [redacted] had strongly influenced her to the left. Apparently it was through [redacted] that she was put in contact with the above persons in Mexico. *let u*

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L. RELATIONS BETWEEN ACGM AND SATELLITE DIPLOMATIC ESTABLISHMENTS *let u*

Such relationships are limited mainly to SAMUEL BROOKS, who claims to have a close friend in the hierarchy of the Czechoslovakian Embassy. BROOKS' [redacted] also reportedly is seen at affairs at the Polish and Soviet Embassies, and [redacted] occasionally also may visit these embassies. *let u*

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In addition, [redacted] claims to be very close with [redacted] at the Cuban Embassy. Reportedly, [redacted] for American subversives desiring to travel to Cuba. [redacted] refers such Americans to [redacted] who checks their credentials and background through CP connections in the United States and then notifies [redacted] whether permission should be granted or refused. *let u*

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M. AMERICAN COMMUNISTS NOT IN THE ACGM ~~XX~~ U

It must be noted that no effort is being made to catalogue herein all American subversives in Mexico. There are known to be a number of Americans resident in Mexico who had backgrounds of Communist Party activity in the United States but who are not known to be in contact with the ACGM ~~XX~~ U

N. ACGM MEMBERSHIP ~~XX~~ U

It must not be considered that there is anything approaching a formal membership ~~XX~~ U

Set out hereinafter in alphabetical order are lists of persons of possible interest, divided into appropriate groupings. ~~XX~~ U

The first group consists of the hard core or inner circle of the ACGM, persons who because of their past history of Party activity in the United States, continuing contact with United States Party personalities, declarations of support of Cuba, the USSR, and/or Red China, financial contributions to the PCM, and similar actions are generally accepted by the group as a whole and by its leaders as "good progressives," active and trustworthy supporters of communism. ~~XX~~ U

The second grouping is a rather arbitrary listing of various persons of more than casual interest to the ACGM. Many of these persons in past years have been among the most active in the ACGM but are not now included in the first grouping because of reduced social association, political or personal disaffection, and other reasons. ~~XX~~ U

This includes persons of various nationalities, but known to be related to the American group. The people constituting the ACGM have a wide variety of contacts without known political identification or coloration. Therefore, as ~~XX~~ U

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effort has been made to confine this listing to persons considered to have some security significance and to be related to the ACGM, without pretending to be a catalogue of all such personalities. ~~XX~~ U

It is to be noted that appearance on this second listing does not necessarily presume sympathy to communism. ~~XX~~ U

A third list consists of visitors noted in social contact with the ACGM in Mexico who appear to be accepted politically by the ACGM. ~~XX~~ U

It is noted that there are a number of Americans continuing in residence in Mexico who have backgrounds of security interest who have appeared on past compilations of this nature and who are not listed herein. This is because they are not noted to have had any contact or relationship with the ACGM in the past two years and, therefore, are not considered to have any current significance in relationship to that group. ~~XX~~ U

Residence, employment, nationality, etc., are most recent available. In most instances they have been confirmed within the past six months and in regard to the principal figures are considered up-to-date. ~~XX~~ U

Unless otherwise specified, all addresses are in Mexico City. ~~XX~~ U

In most instances these people are identified by the name by which they are commonly known in Mexico, even if technically this is not the correct name. ~~XX~~ U

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PRINCIPAL FIGURES ~~XX~~ (U)

~~XX~~ CEDRIC ~~XX~~ BELFRAGE ~~XX~~ (U)

He is an Englishman, formerly Editor of the communist-leaning NATIONAL GUARDIAN. He came to Mexico from Cuba in December 1962 and since that time have associated intimately with the ACGM. It is apparent that he has considerable stature in Party circles. He apparently works as a free lance writer and in the past two years has traveled about Latin America considerably. He reportedly was in British Guiana at the time of the disturbances there in June 1963, staying at the home of Prime Minister CHEDDI JAGAN. In Mexico City they resided for a time in the apartment of [redacted] while the [redacted] were in Cuba, and thereafter in the [redacted] home. Most recently they are reported to be leasing the home of the leftist Mexican [redacted].

Reportedly his children are visiting them for the summer and they plan to move behind the Iron Curtain in the fall of 1963. His great prestige, complete acceptance, and constant association with the ACGM qualify them for inclusion in this group, although they are almost in the status of visitors to Mexico rather than residents. ~~XX~~ (U)

She is as politically identified as he but is not liked as a person by the other figures in the ACGM. She appears to be well acquainted with Party personalities in California. ~~XX~~ (U)

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[REDACTED] ^{U.S.} [REDACTED] ^{MEXICO CITY, MEXICO}
She is a [REDACTED] the costumes for the Ballet Folklorico. She resides with her [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] She had an indeterminate Party background in the United States but has been accepted as an intimate associate of the ACGM, particularly by the ZATZes. Her husband is identified as one of the leading figures in the Communist-Leftist coalition, Frente Electoral del Pueblo - FEP (People's Electoral Front) ~~U~~

[REDACTED] SAMUEL [REDACTED] BROOKS ~~U~~

^{MEXICO CITY, MEXICO}
The BROOKSes presently reside at Anatole France #71, Apartment 204. SAMUEL BROOKS is employed by Precisa, S. A., the Mexican distributor for East German optical goods. BROOKS has figured strongly as an American Communist political figure in Mexico since before 1940. (NOTE: SAMUEL BROOKS died ^{U.S.} August 24, 1963. ~~U~~)

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LINI DE VRIES ~~U~~

DE VRIES recently returned to Cuernavaca, Morelos, ^{MEXICO} to reside at [REDACTED] and participate in the summer school of the University of Morelos. It is anticipated that after the summer school she will return to Mexico City and possibly resume operation of [REDACTED] ^{U.S.} She is a Spanish War Veteran and claims she was recruited into the Party by ELIZABETH BENTLEY. She has operated summer schools in Jalapa and Oaxaca, Mexico, which have gained the reputation of being gathering places for American Communists. ~~U~~

^{MR & MRS} [REDACTED] ~~U~~
The [REDACTED] continue to reside at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] is self-employed from his home as an [REDACTED] and from all appearances is extremely ~~U~~

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prosperous. He apparently is intimately acquainted with Party hierarchy in New York and is considered a person of prestige among the ACGM. ~~(S)~~ ~~FREDERICK FIELD~~ ~~(S)~~ U

~~FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD~~ ~~(S)~~ U

~~FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD~~ ~~(S)~~ U
~~MEXICO~~

FIELD continues to reside with his Mexican [redacted] at Calle Loma de Las Palmas #215, Colonia Vista Hermosa, which is off the Mexico-Toluca Highway. He operates Compania de Promociones e Inversiones de Mexico, S. A. at Calle Londres #87-201. He derives most of his prestige in the ACGM from his past history of being a Party "angel." ~~(S)~~ U

~~HAYWOOD HALL~~ ~~(S)~~ U

~~HARRY HAYWOOD~~ ~~(S)~~ U

~~HAYWOOD HALL~~ ~~(S)~~ U

continues to reside at [redacted]

She was taking a post graduate

She receives an independent income from her family. She and HAYWOOD separated in March, 1963, and HAYWOOD returned to Los Angeles. He recently returned to Mexico City to arrange terms of the divorce and custody of the children. It is reported that [redacted] The HALLS are personally objectionable to most of the ACGM but are accepted because of his lifetime of dedication to the Party and the important posts he held in the Party prior to being expelled. ~~(S)~~ U

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The [redacted] reside at [redacted]

[redacted] a textile establishment at this location. They are considered absolutely reliable politically but their association with the ACGM is limited by their remote residence. ~~(S)~~ U

~~MRS. ALBERT AND MARGARET MALTZ~~ ~~(S)~~ U

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ARTO #14 SAN ANGEL INN
MEXICO

The MALTZes also are separated and planning a divorce. MARGARET MALTZ continues to reside at the family residence at [redacted] ~~(S)~~ U

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Yarto #14, San Angel Inn, but this house is up for sale. C. ALP
ALBERT MALTZ has been away from Mexico in Los Angeles and Rome 7.7.41
but recently returned to Mexico, and is temporarily residing
in the Hotel Genève, working out the terms of the separation
and also working on movie scripts. MALTZ, who was one of the
notorious Hollywood Ten, was considered the dean of the ACGM
and he and his wife formed the intellectual and cultural core
of the group. ~~(S)~~ U

[redacted] ~~(S)~~ U

She is a [redacted]

[redacted] and receives her support from alimony,
writing, and boarders. Reportedly, her heavy drinking has
recently alienated the ACGM and caused doubts concerning her
reliability. ~~(S)~~ U

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[redacted] ~~(S)~~ U

He is a [redacted] who resides with his

[redacted]
[redacted] coming into Mexico City frequently to continue his
studies at the National University. Because of his isolated
location, he has little contact with the ACGM who tend to shun
him as unreliable and as a radical extremist. ~~(S)~~ U

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The [redacted] reside at [redacted]
and work as artists and art teachers. [redacted] has
forsaken her United States citizenship for naturalization as
a Mexican. [redacted] operate as a liaison between the ACGM and the
Mexican Communist Party, particularly in collecting funds from
the ACGM for PCM causes. They are considered dedicated, full-
time Party revolutionaries. Both have traveled to Cuba this
year. ~~(S)~~ U

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[redacted] SAMUEL [redacted] NOVICK ~~U~~ ^{EUROPE}

The NOVICK's, who currently are reported to be traveling in Europe, maintain their residence at Avenida 3 #43, Colonia Las Aguilas. SAMUEL NOVICK is manager of Super Winchester de Mexico, S. A., located on Avenida Ignacio Zaragoza #2226. Although considered completely reliable politically, there have been indications that the NOVICKS have drifted away somewhat from intimacy with the ACGM. ~~U~~ ^{U.S. EUROPE}

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The [redacted] reside at [redacted]

[redacted] at C o p o 612-A Azcapotzalco, which manufactures radio cabinets. He appears to be quite prosperous. He claims to have been a paid Communist functionary in the United States and at present is considered a likely prospect to take over ALBERT MALTZ' position as the dominant figure in the ACGM. ~~U~~ ^{U.S.}

MR [redacted] GEORGE [redacted] PEPPER ~~U~~ ^{MEXICO & U.S.}

The PEPPERS reside at Melchor Ocampo #487. GEORGE PEPPER is production agent for Producciones Olmeca, S. A., a Mexican film company. The PEPPERS continue in social contact and political sympathy with the ACGM. ~~U~~ ^{U.S.}

[redacted] ~~U~~
The [redacted] ^{MEXICO & U.S.}

[redacted] She apparently is doing well and is opening branches of this gallery. One of the [redacted] children reportedly was among the leaders of the United States students who recently traveled to Cuba. ~~U~~ ^{U.S.}

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MEXICO CITY, MEXICO

The [redacted]
[redacted] Both receive pensions, and in addition, [redacted]
works as a [redacted] gives private lessons in
English. They are considered completely reliable politically
and have some prestige because of Party friends in New York
and [redacted] relatives in Russia. Because of limited income
and disabilities, they are not active. (S) U

MR [redacted] CHARLES [redacted] SMALL (SMOLIKOFF) (S) U
MEXICO CITY, MEXICO

The SMALLs, as they are universally known in Mexico,
reside at Calle Mariscal #98, San Angel Inn, operate a silver
shop at Calle Niza #47, and appear to be quite prosperous.
SMALL was a full-time, paid Communist functionary in Florida
and is considered one of the two or three leading personalities,
politically speaking, in the ACGM. (S) U

MR [redacted] ASA [redacted] ZATZ (S) U
MEXICO

The ZATZes reside at Avenida Pennsylvania #222,
Apartment 4, Colonia Napoles. He is employed as a free lance
writer and translator. He is considered a dedicated Communist
with ties in the Mexican Communist Party, the United States,
Cuba, and through [redacted] with the Party under-
ground there. There are reports he may move to Cuba. (S) U

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[redacted]
She was last known to be residing at [redacted] with [redacted] who for years has been prominent in communist-dominated or inspired organizations and who is considered a leading figure in the MLN. (see appendix) ^{U.S.} b6 b7C
She reportedly has been naturalized a Mexican ~~XX~~U

[redacted] ~~XX~~U
[redacted] resides with his [redacted]
[redacted] He has been associated with the firms Meximex and Precisa, dealing in the importation of goods from the Iron Curtain countries. He also has a factory in the state of Mexico. He is a Spanish War veteran and for years has been a close personal and business associate of SAMUEL BROOKS and SAMUEL NOVICK ~~XX~~U ^{U.S.}

[redacted] ~~XX~~U
[redacted] MEXICO The [redacted] reside at [redacted] Foto Ilustrative, S.A., Augusto Rodin St. When they arrived from New York, they claimed to have been active in the Party there and intimated they departed New York because of persecution; however, in recent years they appear to be making every effort to avoid political associations. ~~XX~~U

^{N.Y.} [redacted] ~~XX~~U ^{Bols.}
[redacted] ^{U.S.}
She is an American married to a [redacted] She reportedly was associated with [redacted] possibly in Soviet espionage activities in New York. Her husband has associated himself with various communist fronts in Mexico. Their association with the ACGM has dwindled substantially in recent years ~~XX~~U

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The [redacted] have been residing and operating an invisible [redacted]
He and his wife reportedly spent their entire adult lives in Communist Party activities in the United States; however, they are elderly and now considered inactive. They have a very limited association with the ACGM. ~~U~~

[redacted] ~~U~~
[redacted] resides with his [redacted]
His relationship with the ACGM stems mainly from the time of his marriage to [redacted] He is English and works as an artist. He is considered good for occasional contributions. ~~U~~ ^{ENG.}

[redacted] ~~U~~
The [redacted] reside at [redacted] and [redacted] rug factory at this same location, marketing their products through the Bazaar Sabado. They are close friends of the [redacted]. When they arrived in Mexico, they intimated they considered themselves political refugees, and claimed Party activity in New York. They are considered politically inactive in recent years. ~~U~~

[redacted] ~~U~~
[redacted] resides with [redacted] ~~U~~
[redacted] He claims to have belonged to a young Communists' organization in New York. [redacted] export-import business and does work for CHARLES SMALL, [redacted] and others in the ACGM, apparently trading on his supposed progressive background. ~~U~~ ^{MEVIG}

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[redacted] ~~U~~ *U.S.*
[redacted] She resides at [redacted]
[redacted] and reportedly has a [redacted] to
Pussy's Restaurant. Her principal support and prominence is
[redacted] FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD.
There is a tendency to distrust her among those in the ACGM ~~U~~ *MRS*

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[redacted] ~~U~~
[redacted] of questionable talent
and morals who apparently received most of her financial
support from ALBERT MALTZ. She departed Mexico early in 1963
and reportedly is presently residing in Switzerland, to whence
she traveled in furtherance of her career pretensions. She
has a communist background but was not considered politically
active in Mexico, and most of her association with the ACGM
was through MALTZ. ~~U~~ *U.S.*

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[redacted] ~~U~~
The [redacted] reside and operate a [redacted] *U.S.*
in [redacted]. He is reportedly a
Spanish War veteran and they are close to [redacted]

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[redacted] ~~U~~
[redacted] a retired New Yorker, resides at [redacted]
[redacted] He appears to associate with ASA EATZ and [redacted]
and to be accepted politically by them. ~~U~~

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[redacted] ~~U~~

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MEXICO

[redacted] was formerly among those most prominent in the ACGM, but for years has been confined in a Mexican mental institution. ~~U~~

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[redacted] continues to reside at [redacted], and to work as a [redacted] at the Swiss-American Institute in that city. She is the [redacted] MARGARET MALTZ, and most of her association and identification with the ACGM stem from this fact, although she is considered completely reliable and acceptable politically by the ACGM. ~~U~~

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[redacted] ~~U~~
The [redacted] reside at [redacted]

and [redacted] Silmex, at San Juan de Letran 13, import and export. He is a German who apparently has some background of political activity; however, he is being listed herein entirely through his intimate association with [redacted] SAMUEL BROOKS. He reportedly contributes regular, substantial financial aid to the BROOKSES. ~~U~~

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[redacted] ~~U~~
[redacted] last known
to be residing in [redacted] He
apparently engaged in some political activity in New York and
in Mexico has associated with various of the ACGM, such as,
[redacted] and HAYWOOD HALL. ~~U~~

[redacted] ~~U~~
[redacted] is a Spanish War Veteran, last known to
be residing at [redacted] and working as a [redacted] He
maintains close relations with the BROOKSES and reportedly
contributes financial support to them. He is considered good
for an occasional contribution to Party causes. ~~U~~

[redacted] ~~U~~
The [redacted] reside at [redacted]
[redacted] He works part time as a [redacted]
[redacted] and lives partly on social security. They are friendly
with the [redacted] ~~U~~

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[redacted] continue to reside at [redacted]
[redacted] They are presently operating an art gallery in the Hotel
Maria Isabel and he continues to work as an artist. They are
another example of persons who arrived in Mexico intimating a
background of Communist Party activity. In recent years they
have had very limited association with the ACGM and seemingly
are avoiding such contacts. ~~U~~

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The [redacted] were residing in an apartment at [redacted]
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[redacted] Kawnear de Mexico. The [redacted] appear to move among the Unitarian - Democrats Abroad elements more than any particular association with the ACGM although they have been noted at the [redacted] home. ~~U~~

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[redacted] resides with his [redacted] where [redacted] He has some contact with the [redacted] but is not considered politically significant. ~~U~~

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[redacted] last known to reside at [redacted] association with the ACGM appears largely casual although he gives indications of having a "progressive" background. ~~U~~

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[redacted] She was last known to be residing at [redacted] working as an [redacted] She claims for herself a rich background of Party activity and advises that her children are presently in Cuba; however, she is shunned by the ACGM and considered unreliable, personally and politically. ~~U~~

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[redacted] She is the former [redacted] and has been residing in an apartment at [redacted] and [redacted] ~~U~~

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taking graduate work at the University. She appears to be militantly interested in promoting the cause of communism and has recently been in much closer contact with the ACGM ~~XX~~U

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[redacted] resides with his [redacted]

He is engaged in the study of indigenous languages at the National University. Although accepted by the ACGM, he has little social contact among this group. ~~XX~~U

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She is an elderly [redacted] from the San Francisco area who usually spends a number of months each year with [redacted] in Cuernavaca. ~~XX~~U

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The [redacted] have been residing at [redacted] and have been operating a postcard business at this location.

[redacted] gift shop in the Pasaje Jacaranda. They also appear to avoid association with the ACGM, although they were identified with this group in years past. In recent years they have been prominent in Democrats Abroad. ~~XX~~U

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They reside at [redacted]

He is a Spanish War veteran presently in very poor health. He works as an artist and has recently had successful showings in New York City. She is a teacher. In past years they have been considered intimates of the ACGM, closely associated with ~~XX~~U

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this group and completely accepted by them. However, recently they have expressed themselves as desiring to avoid political associations, activities, and identifications. This possibly is related to a suit pending wherein she is suing a United States publication alleging that she lost her job with the American School in Mexico City after they published an article claiming she was a communist. She recently traveled to New York in connection with this suit and with his exhibit. He recently traveled to Holland to visit relatives ~~U~~

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The [redacted] were fringe associates of the ACGM who departed for Phoenix, Arizona, within the past year ~~U~~

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The [redacted] are still another example of persons formerly accepted among the ACGM but who in recent years have gone out of their way to avoid and terminate such associations. They reside at [redacted] Industrias Comerciales, Medellin 134, Office 501, dealing in TV parts ~~U~~

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The following individuals have been noted in contact with the ACGM in the course of the past year or two while visiting in Mexico. JX u

ALLAN JAMES ARONSON JX u

ARONSON reportedly editor of the Communist-line publication "National Guardian," was in Mexico for a short visit in October, 1962, and in contact with various of the ACGM and particularly with CEDRIC BELFRAGE. JX u

[redacted] JX u
The [redacted] are Party members from Detroit who were in Mexico City in the fall of 1962. She stayed for a considerably longer period of time than her husband and was studying Spanish at the Mexican-American Institute. She was accepted as an intimate in the ACGM. JX u

LEONARD BOUDIN JX u

BOUDIN reportedly is a New York attorney who represents Castro's Cuba. He and his partner, VICTOR RABINOWITZ, reportedly have passed through Mexico City on several occasions en route to Cuba and while in Mexico have been in contact with [redacted]. JX u

[redacted] JX u
[redacted] was an associate of the ACGM during her residence in Mexico. She presently lives in Los Angeles but makes visits to Mexico from time to time. She was in Mexico in August, 1962, reportedly commissioned by the movie actress MARILYN MONROE to purchase various Mexican decorator's items. JX u

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[redacted] who makes annual visits to Mexico during which she associates with the SEBORERS. She was last in Mexico in March of 1963, at which time she was staying at the MALTZ home. ~~U~~

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MR. [redacted] GEORGE [redacted] CROCKETT ~~U~~

The CROCKETT's are a Negro couple from Detroit who also make annual visits to Mexico. He is a Communist Party attorney. During these visits they associate intimately with the ACGM. They were most recently in Mexico in February, 1963, during which visit they were in close contact with the [redacted] and the SMALLS. ~~U~~

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[redacted] U.S. MEXICO of somewhat dubious reputation who formerly lived in [redacted] and had a reputation of association with Communists and with leftist causes. She was visiting again in Cuernavaca in February of 1962. ~~U~~

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[redacted] from Los Angeles long identified with Communist causes and fronts. He makes frequent trips to Mexico during which he associates with the ACGM. He was most recently noted in Mexico in February of 1962. During this visit he interviewed the notorious Mexican Communist painter DAVID ALFARO SIQUEIROS in prison. He was associating with the [redacted] MALTZes, and others in the ACGM. ~~U~~

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[redacted] came to Mexico from New York in the fall of 1961 and departed early in 1962. [redacted] intimated he had been sent to Mexico on a Party mission and during his ~~U~~

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residence in Mexico associated with many personalities in the ACGM. He became quite close friends with [redacted]

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[redacted] ~~U.S.~~ [redacted] reportedly is a [redacted] for the Communist newspaper "The Worker." He reportedly came to Mexico in February of 1963 with ANTON REFREGIER, an artist and tapestry [redacted] and former associate of the ACGM. Both were in limited contact with the ACGM during this visit. REFREGIER is believed to work with [redacted] on tapestries. ~~U.S.~~

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[redacted] ~~U.S.~~ [redacted] This is the [redacted] HUGH HARDYMAN. She has visited Mexico City several times and been in contact with the ACGM principally in attempts to raise money for the boys camp [redacted] founded in Jalisco, Mexico. [redacted] considered a dedicated Communist, was working at this establishment. ~~U.S.~~

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[redacted] ~~U.S.~~ [redacted] The [redacted] in Washington, D. C., and make regular buying trips to Mexico. During these trips they contact various persons in the ACGM. ~~U.S.~~

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~~U.S.~~ [redacted] GEORGE [redacted] KROTZER ~~U.S.~~

The KROTZERS have spent considerable time in Mexico in the last two years, generally at isolated archaeological regions. While in Mexico they are in contact with the ACGM, principally the MALTZES. They have spent considerable time in Jalapa, Veracruz, but are believed to be returning to California. ~~U.S.~~

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[redacted] New Yorker who appears to be prominent in Party circles there. He and his wife make annual vacation trips to Mexico, during which they contact various friends in the ACGM. They usually travel to Acapulco on these trips. They were most recently noted in Mexico City in February of 1963 en route to Acapulco. [redacted] reportedly contributes to various Communist causes in Mexico regularly. ~~(S)~~U

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[redacted] ~~(S)~~U
She is a [redacted] who makes occasional vacation trips to Mexico during which she associates with the ACGM. She was noted in Mexico early in 1962 when she was in Cuernavaca and in contact with [redacted] ~~(S)~~U

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A [redacted]
[redacted] regarding Mexico. He has resided in Mexico at various times and makes frequent visits to Mexico. During these visits he enjoys some limited contact with the ACGM, principally with the MALTZES. ~~(S)~~U

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[redacted] of the ROSENBERGS who were executed for espionage. This gives her immense prestige among the ACGM. In the summer of 1963, she was attending LINI DE VRIES' summer school in Cuernavaca. She and the ROSENBERG children in past summers attended DE VRIES' school in Jalapa, Veracruz. During her most recent visit she was in contact with various persons of the ACGM in Mexico City. ~~(S)~~U

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Another annual visitor to Mexico City, [redacted] associates closely with [redacted] during these visits. She was last noted in Mexico in the summer of 1962, at which time she spent considerable time in Cuernavaca ~~U~~

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These individuals are Canadians who have been accepted as intimates by the ACGM in the past two years. They have spent sufficient time in Mexico so as almost to be considered residents. Reportedly they also recently moved permanently to Cuba. ~~U~~

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A [redacted] arrived in Mexico in the fall of 1961 and was noted to associate with SAMUEL BROOKS and others of the ACGM. He worked for a time at the American School but was terminated from this employment. He was noted to associate closely with others in the ACGM but was not specifically identified politically. ~~U~~

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[redacted] is from Chicago where she reportedly is active with the Russian Book Store. She makes occasional vacation trips to Mexico during which she has been noted to associate with various persons in the ACGM. She was last reported to be visiting in Mexico in April, 1963; traveling with [redacted] ~~U~~

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[redacted] visited Mexico from Los Angeles in April of 1963 and stayed with LINI DE VRIES. She claimed acquaintances with a number of persons of Communist identity in the Los Angeles area. ~~U~~

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See section on "Actions by Mexican Authorities Against the ACGM." It is noted that [REDACTED] has been indicted by a Federal Grand Jury in California in connection with her travel to Cuba. ~~U~~

[REDACTED] ~~U~~

Former residents of Mexico City and associates of the ACGM most recently reported residing in California, where [REDACTED] at Harvey Mudd College in Pomona. Reported [REDACTED] is back in Mexico City looking for housing, and [REDACTED] is planning to teach at the University of the Americas (Mexico City College) in the fall of 1963. ~~U~~

[REDACTED] ~~U~~

This is a [REDACTED] who visited in Mexico City in August 1962 and was in contact with the ACGM principally with [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED] identified her as a communist. ~~U~~

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APPENDIX

The Movimiento Nacional de Liberacion (MLN) National Liberation Movement), according to T-1, was an outgrowth of the Latin American Peace Conference, held in Mexico City March 5-8, 1961, which was sponsored by ex-President of Mexico LAZARO CARDENAS and other notorious leftists. The MLN was generally considered to have been inspired by the communists and to have been dominated by communists. ~~U~~

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Source T-1, referred to therein, has furnished
reliable information in the past. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ U

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 10/30/63

FROM : LEGAT, MEXICO CITY [REDACTED] (RUC)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING
SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO
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4/14/86 1672 REP/RLWS
Classified by [REDACTED]
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CEPT WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE.

Enclosed herewith is a copy of list of students who attended Summer School at University of Morelos, Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico, 1963.

Rerep SA RICHARD S. CLARK, dated 7/25/63 at Mexico, D. F.

On 7/18/63, [REDACTED] who have furnished reliable information in the past, advised that after LINI DEVRIES left Mexico City for Cuernavaca she requested [REDACTED] to meet arriving United States students destined for the Summer School at Cuernavaca, who arrived in Mexico City by air, and to direct them on to Cuernavaca. [REDACTED] told the informants that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] as SAM BROOKS (Bufile [REDACTED]), reportedly held DEVRIES in a very dubious light and questioned her ability to be effective in any operation.

[REDACTED] reportedly considered that something "sneaky" was going on in connection with DEVRIES' summer school, which appeared to have been merely the transfer of DEVRIES' operations from Jalapa to Cuernavaca, and told the informants [REDACTED]

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 - (1 - San Francisco, 100-51237, Info.)
 - (1 - Los Angeles, [REDACTED] Info.)
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On 7/17/63, [] advised the informants that

[] She claimed that a number of people stayed around LINI DeVRIES, none of whom was introduced, and SAM BROOKS was afraid that the LINI DeVRIES operation in Cuernavaca would renew the scandal which gave Cuernavaca the reputation for being a center for American Communists. ~~U~~

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[] and SAM BROOKS felt that most of the persons involved were insignificant Communists and are probably being followed by the local police and the U. S. Embassy. []

[] indicated that [] suspected that LINI DeVRIES might be unreliable, possibly working for the U. S. Embassy or having made arrangements with the police.

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[] observed that LINI DeVRIES had lived in the United States for several years, was questioned on several occasions by the FBI, and that a subpoena for her to appear before the House Un-American Activities Committee was never served.

SAM [] BROOKS felt that LINI DeVRIES was not reliable. ~~U~~

In connection with the school in Cuernavaca, [] commented that teachers enrolling had nothing to lose by attending the school because they were paid to attend classes to improve themselves in the subjects they teach. DeVRIES, according to [], was willing to give papers saying that they were in school whether they were in class or not. ~~U~~

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[] further stated that [] (Bufile 100-398766), who resides in [] has stated that some teachers had quit teaching in DeVRIES' school and that DeVRIES herself was giving classes in English, Spanish, anthropology, Mexican history, and archaeology. The students reportedly had started to complain that they had been deluded and even defrauded. ~~U~~

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On 7/31/63, [] advised that rumors persisted in the ACGM that DeVRIES was running into difficulty in her summer school and that the school might close up at any time. [] according to the informants, had a strong disagreement with DeVRIES over the way the school was being run, particularly complaining about the way DeVRIES was taking care of [] the

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[] reportedly said she ~~U~~

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planned to have no further dealings with DeVRIES in the future. [redacted] according to the informants, is [redacted] JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG, who were executed in the United States for Soviet espionage. ~~C~~ U

On the same date, [redacted] also advised [redacted]

On 8/8/63, [redacted] advised that [redacted]

On 8/2/63, [redacted] together with [redacted] who had been attending the school, furnished a list of students who had enrolled for the school, a copy of which is enclosed. ~~C~~ U

On 8/15/63, [redacted] advised that DeVRIES' summer school in Cuernavaca was due to close that week. According to the informants, the school had been a failure and the customers were "screaming." ~~C~~ U

On 8/19/63, [redacted] advised that he had been a student at the Summer School in Cuernavaca which commenced 7/8/63 and terminated 8/15/63. At the Summer School, [redacted] studied anthropology, architecture, Spanish, and Mexican history, the latter being a compulsory course which was taught by LINI DeVRIES. According to [redacted] in discussing the newspaper article published in Cuernavaca intimating that DeVRIES had been a Communist, DeVRIES stated that when she was young she was attracted to Communism and considered herself a Communist, but that she recovered from that idea and that she has no affiliations with the Communists.

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According to [] the 1963 session was the first time the University of Morelos had organized a summer session aimed at attracting United States students of college age. He stated there were about 120 students, most of whom were enrolled in the United States prior to arriving in Cuernavaca. About 12 of the students were past college age. [] advised that DeVRIES taught Mexican history, as well as social anthropology, and he felt that her presentation of Mexican history was strongly anti-United States and anti-Catholic. He advised that several of the students in the class objected to DeVRIES' presentation of the United States as being responsible for all of Mexico's ills.

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[] advised that the [] of the University of Morelos, a [] inquired of him concerning DeVRIES' teaching and indicated there appeared to be a great deal of hard feeling concerning her. [] reportedly indicated that DeVRIES would not teach the following year.

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On 9/13/63, [] ~~U~~ who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that DeVRIES is now residing at Humboldt 306, Cuernavaca. According to informant, [] DeVRIES claims she is teaching anthropology at the University of Morelos, receiving a salary of 1,000 pesos (\$80 U.S.) a month. ~~U~~ ~~U~~

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[] advised that DeVRIES, since the closing of the summer school, has been running a boarding house at the Humboldt address. ~~U~~ ~~U~~

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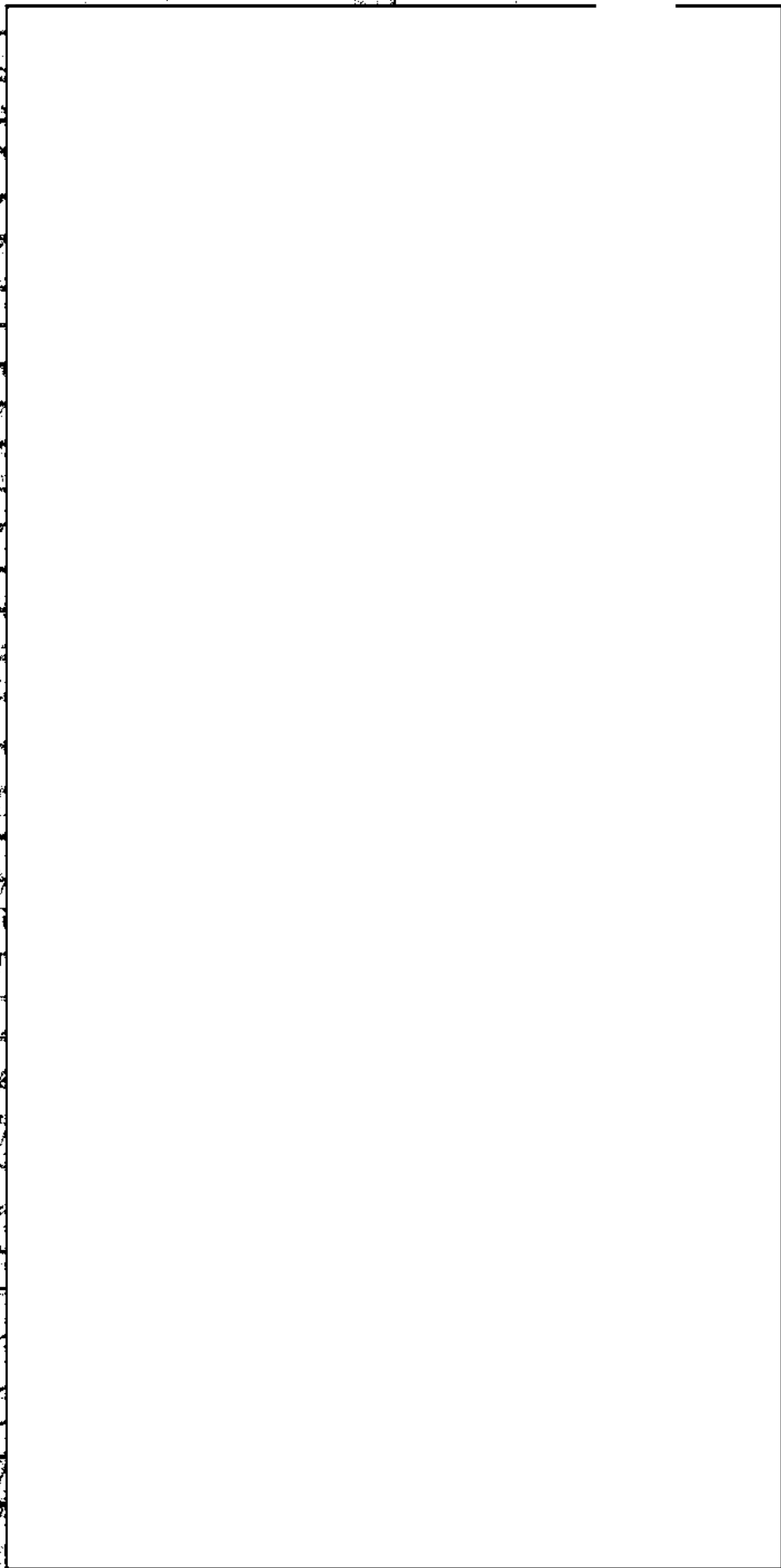
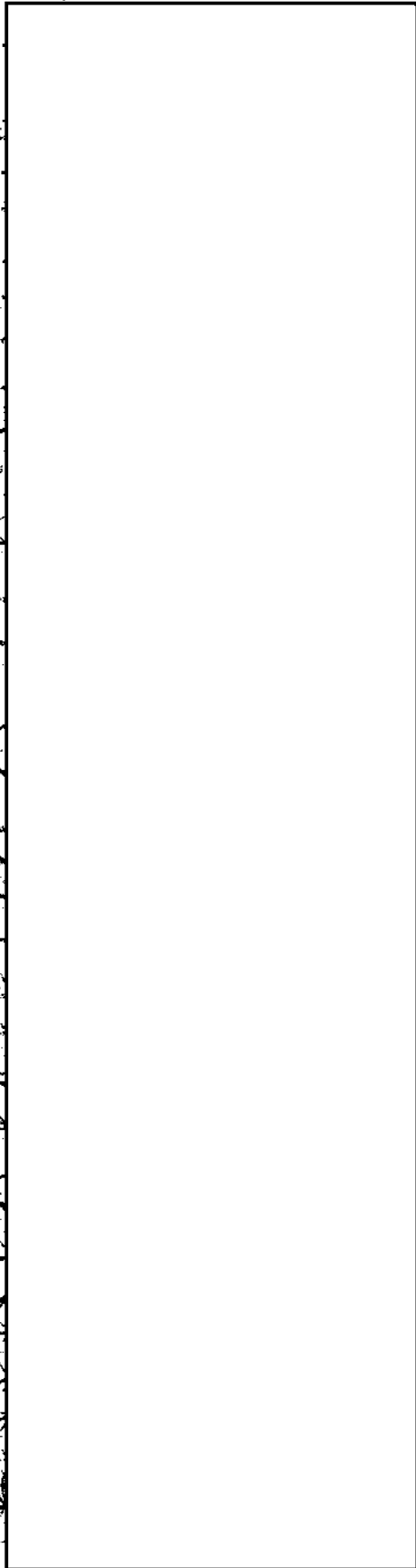
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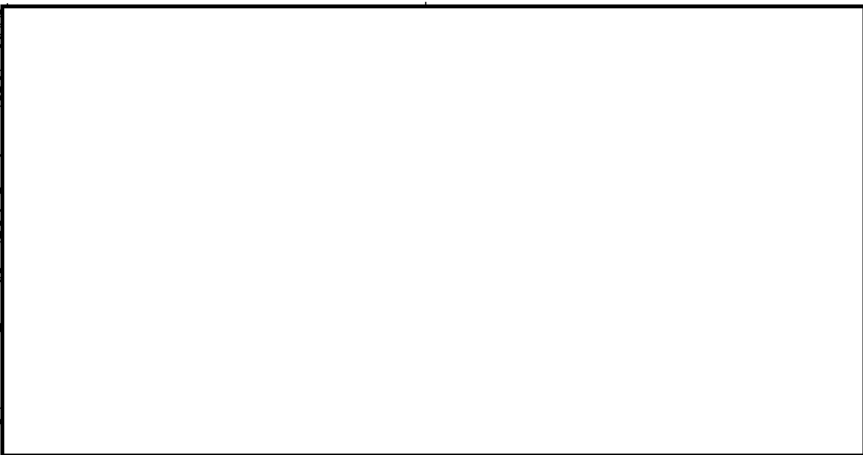
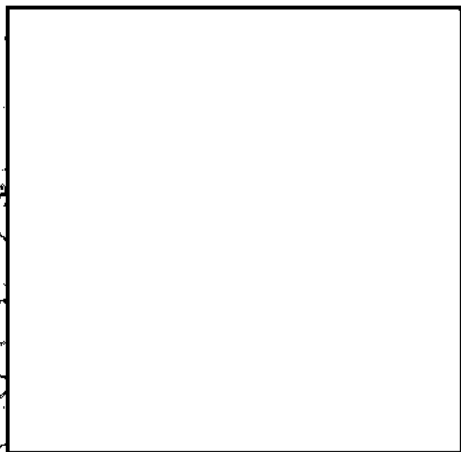
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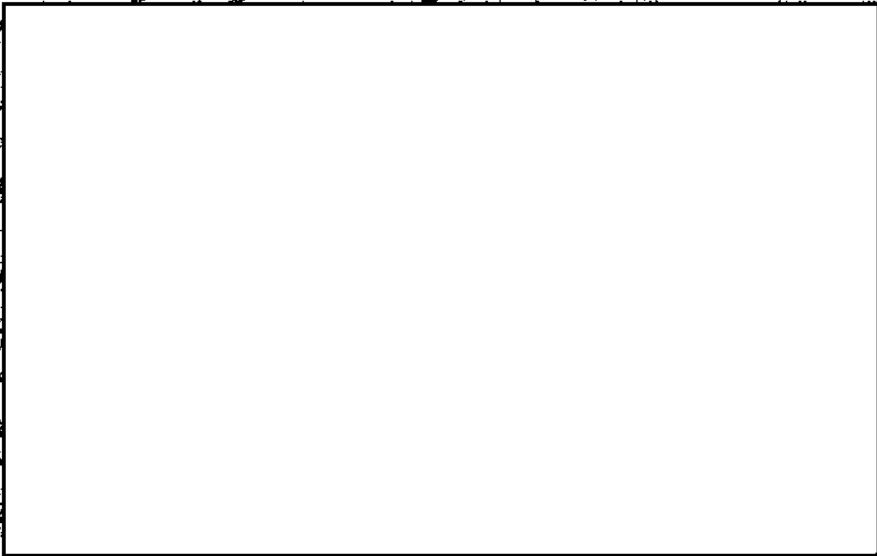
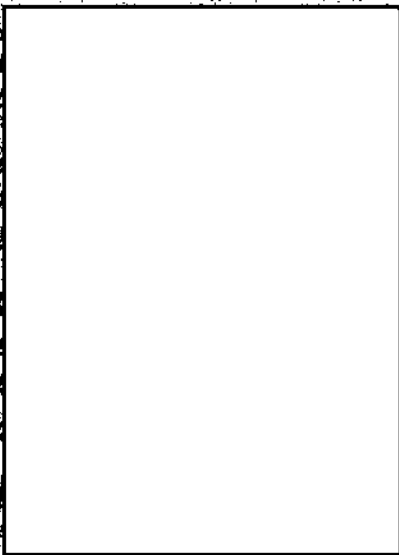
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Director, FBI (100-422116)

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**AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING
SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO
INTERNAL SECURITY - MEXICO**

Enclosed for each office receiving this communication and the Legal Attache, Ottawa, are a copy of a letter from the Legal Attache in Mexico City dated 10/30/63 and a list of students who attended summer school in Cuernavaca, Moreles, Mexico, during the Summer of 1963. This school was organized and operated by Lini DeVries, also known as Lini Moerkkerk Stoumen. New York, San Francisco, Boston, Newark, Philadelphia, and Los Angeles have previously been furnished information concerning DeVries and the operations of schools in Mexico by DeVries.

For the information of other offices receiving this communication, DeVries is on the Security Index and was an active communist during the early 1930's. She continued affiliation with the Communist Party until she moved to Mexico several years ago. Since arriving in Mexico she has affiliated with the American Communist Group in Mexico and is considered by reliable sources to be a communist. She has organized and operated schools in Mexico designed to attract American citizens during at least the past seven summers. Numerous individuals of subversive backgrounds are known to have attended the schools operated by DeVries in the past. She claims that the bulk of the students who register come through "progressive" contacts.

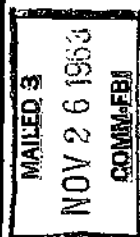
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Letter to New York
RE: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING
SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO
100-422116

All offices should review their indices concerning individuals on the enclosed list who reside in their territory. The Bureau should be advised of any pertinent information in form suitable for dissemination under the caption of this letter unless a previous investigation has been conducted concerning any of the individuals. In this event the communication should be submitted under the individual case caption with a copy designated for Bureau file 100-422116.

The Legal Attache, Ottawa, may advise his sources of the identity of the individual from Ontario who attended the summer school in Mexico together with pertinent information concerning DeVries.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 12/5/63

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA

SUBJECT: *0*
AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING
SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO
IS - MEXICO

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ReBulet to NY 11/25/63 which instructs that all recipient offices should review indices concerning individuals on a list enclosed with relet who reside in the respective field divisions. The only individual listed with an address in the Philadelphia Division is

Philadelphia indices are negative on and lacking additional information to indicate that she is a person warranting investigation, no further action is being taken at this time.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 12/10/63

FROM : SAC, BOSTON (100-

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING
SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO
INTERNAL SECURITY - MEXICO

Rebulet to New York 11/25/63.

The files of the Boston Office contain no information
identifiable with the following individuals set forth
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 12/11/63

FROM : *Paul But*
SAC, NEWARK (RUC)

SUBJECT: *0*
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Re Bureau letter to Newark, dated 11/25/63.

Newark indices are negative on the following persons listed on the list of persons who attended summer school at University of Morelos, Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico, 1963:

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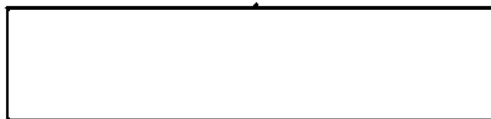
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Re NY let to Director, 11/25/63.

Relet enclosed copy of let from Legat, Mexico City, 10/30/63, and a list of students who attended summer school in Cuernavaca, Moreles, Mexico, during summer, 1963. Included in the list was:



In the legat letter it was stated, among those who attended the school was [redacted] who had furnished the list.

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WFO indices were checked for the names, [redacted]

[redacted] with negative results.

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- 2 - New York [redacted] (RM)
- 1 - WFO

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 12/17/63

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles [redacted] *WVC*

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING
SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO
IS - MEXICO
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Re Director letter to SAC, New York, 11/25/63.

Please be advised Los Angeles indices concerning individuals listed on the enclosure to referenced letter as residents in the area covered by the Los Angeles Office contain no information identifiable with these persons.

It would appear that [redacted]

[redacted] Los Angeles file [redacted] is included on the Reserve Index - Section A of the Los Angeles Office.

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 2 - Los Angeles (1 - [redacted])
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date *12/27/63*
 by *abc - nsl*

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 12/23/63

FROM : SAC, NEW HAVEN (RUC)SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING
SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO
IS - MEXICO

Re Bureau letter to New York, 11/25/63.

A review of the list of students who attended summer school in Cuernavaca, Moreles, Mexico, during the summer of 1963 has been made.

As of December 18, 1963, New Haven had received no information which could be identified with any of these individuals for whom Connecticut addresses were listed.

No additional investigation is being conducted in this by New Haven.

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Date: 12-24-63

To: Director, FBI

(Bufile : 100-422116)

Attention : _____

gals Legal Attache, Ottawa

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Title <u>AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO</u>	Character IS - MEXICO
	Reference Bulet to New York 11-25-63.

Enclosed are the following communications received from the [] Original and two
copies of [] letter dated 12-19-63, together with three
photographs of []

Remarks:

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1 copy of each Legat, Mexico
by routing slip for
☒ info ☐ action
Date: 12/26/63
By: []

Dissemination

- ☐ May be made as received
☒ May be made as indicated by stamp on enclosure
☐ May not be made without further clearance with []

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Following offices would be interested in receiving copies of enclosures:

New York []; Legat,
Mexico []
Status with this office.

- ☒ RUC
☐ Pending
4 - Bureau (1 cc Legat, Mexico;
New York) (Enc. 6)

1 - Ottawa

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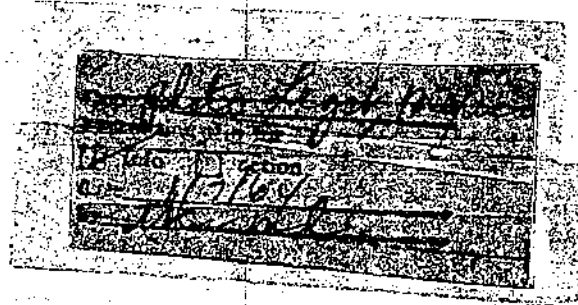
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Enclosures to R/S to Bureau from
Legat, Ottawa, 12-24-63, re:
AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING
SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO
IS-MEXICO

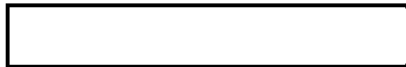
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 12/23/63

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-51237)

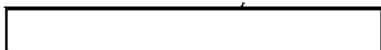
SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS
ATTENDING SUMMER SCHOOL
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IS - MEXICO

Re Legat, Mexico City letter to the Director
10/30/63.

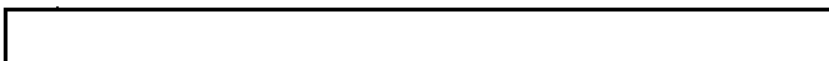
The letter contains the following names of
persons with addresses in the San Francisco territory:



None of these individuals can be identified
with subversive activity in the San Francisco territory.
Lacking identifying data, it is not known if the following
information relates to them:



One [redacted] married but no identifying
information, was reported in 1942 to be a CP member in
Alameda County, California, San Francisco File 100-22538.



with

4 - Bureau (RM)
4 - San Francisco
(cc: 100-21582 - LEONARD OLSON)
(cc: [redacted])

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San Francisco addresses from 1955 to 1957, was a clerk -
steno applicant for the Immigration and Naturalization
Service (INS), San Francisco, June 19, 1957.



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LEONARD EVAN OLSON is white, was born 1/7/02,
in Virginia, Minnesota. He was last reported as in the CP
as a member of the Seamen's Branch, San Francisco, September
1946 [redacted]. He was reported to have been expelled
from the CP for factionalism [redacted] September 22,
1947). In May 1951, OLSON said he and his wife were not in
the Party anymore because they were too militant [redacted]

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[redacted]. No subversive activity on [redacted]
part has been received since 1947.

The [redacted] LEONARD EVAN OLSON has been reported
to be [redacted]

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[redacted] Subjects of San Francisco
Files [redacted] have been reported to have

[redacted] She was given a leave of absence from the CP
between 1950 and 1951 to have a complete psychoanalysis.
Since that time she had dropped all political activity. To the
knowledge of [redacted] who continued in the CP, she has
never been anti-CP ([redacted] November 14, 1952).

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Interviewed by the FBI, 5/2/52, [redacted]
stated she began her CP front group activities in 1936 or 1937,
at Cambridge, Massachusetts. She joined the CP in 1946, and
left in 1950 or 1951 due to unresolved conflicts in her mind.
She said she believes that world communism is a menace and a
threat to freedom of people everywhere. (SAs RICHARD H. NELSON
and TROY F. WILDER.)

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[redacted]
[redacted] the James Jackson *Mr.*
Putnam Childrens Center, Boston, and the [redacted] the late
Dr. OTTO RANK, prominent psychiatrist and author ("San
Mateo Times" 8/28/52).

The Passport Office, State Department, 375 O'Farrell
Street, San Francisco, on 9/15/61, showed a record of a
passport for [redacted]
[redacted] renewed 4/25/61. Passports were
issued the same date to [redacted] same
address, and [redacted] same
address.

[redacted]
[redacted]
are in Cuba.

[redacted] departed from Vera
Cruz, Mexico, for Cuba on 2/21/62, according to the passenger
manifest of the "SS FUNDADOR" (American Consulate, Vera Cruz,
Mexico).

There is no indication [redacted] has returned
from Cuba or has any contact with his former wife and
children.

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In addition to the above what is probably one
parent of some of those listed was determined from the
Reverse Telephone Directories:

[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] is indexed in San Francisco as an
employee of Convair Division, General Dynamics, Fort Worth,
Texas, 11/7/55. The Chicago Office is indicated to have
prepared a Cinrad report on this man. No derogatory information
and no further identifying information known to San Francisco.

SF 100-51237
APC/rew

No derogatory information on the other parents named immediately above.

Lacking identifying data and knowledge that the persons attending the Summer School are themselves subversive, it appears inadvisable to disseminate any of the above. In the absence of additional requests, this case will be considered closed in San Francisco.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 1/7/64

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK [REDACTED] (RUC)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING
SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO
IS - MEXICO
(OO: BUREAU)

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Re letter from Legat, Mexico City, dated 10/30/63,
and Bureau letter, dated 11/25/63.

Transmitted herewith are 10 copies of a LHM pertaining to the captioned matter, as well as 10 copies of an informant evaluation memorandum. An extra copy of this letter, as well as an extra copy of each memorandum, are being furnished for transmittal to Legat, Mexico City [REDACTED], if desired by the Bureau

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NY T-1 is [REDACTED]

NY T-2 is an anonymous source used to document [REDACTED]

A review of NY indices and files reflect that, based upon information set out in referenced letter from Legat, Mexico City, there was no pertinent subversive derogatory information located which was believed to be identifiable with any of the persons with NY addresses listed in the letter, with the following exceptions:

One [REDACTED]
is the subject of Bufile [REDACTED] NYfile [REDACTED]

One [REDACTED]
is the subject of Bufile [REDACTED] NYfile [REDACTED]

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Letterhead memoranda will be submitted under those captions in accordance with Bureau instructions.

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③ - Bureau (100-422116) (Encls. 20) (RM)
1 - New York [REDACTED]

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In addition, one [redacted] is the

[redacted]
[redacted] is the subject of Bufile

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[redacted] NYfile [redacted]



In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York
January 7, 1964

Re: American Communists Attending
Summer School in Mexico
Internal Security - Mexico

On August 2, 1963, [redacted]

[redacted] together with [redacted]

[redacted] who had attended the summer school
at Cuernavaca, Mexico, furnished a list of students who had
enrolled for the school. Included on the list was the name
[redacted]

On April 10, 1961, NY T-1 advised that [redacted]

In December, 1944, NY T-2 advised that [redacted]
[redacted] was listed as a member of the Sunnyside, Queens, Communist
Political Association for January, 1945, and was issued card number
34606.

The Communist Political Association has been designated
pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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recommendations nor conclusions
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File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

January 7, 1964

Re: American Communists Attending
Summer School in Mexico
Internal Security - Mexico

Reference is made to the memorandum dated and
captioned as above at New York.

NY T-1 and NY T-2, mentioned in the referenced
memorandum, have furnished reliable information in the past.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE 1/10/64

FROM

SAC, MINNEAPOLIS [REDACTED]

(RUC)

SUBJECT

AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING
SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO
INTERNAL SECURITY - MEXICO

ReBulet to New York dated 11/25/63 and enclosed
Legat, Mexico City letter to Director dated 10/30/63.

Minneapolis indices contain no information
identifiable with [REDACTED]

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10 JAN 15 1964

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Date 1/21/64
by [REDACTED]

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438913)

1/8/64

SAC, NEW YORK (100-143285)

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(OO: NY)

Re letter from Legat, Mexico City to Bureau dated 10/30/63, and Bulet to New York dated 11/25/63, both captioned "American Communists Attending Summer School in Mexico; IS-Mexico" (Bufile 100-422116) (NY file [redacted]).

Transmitted herewith are six copies of an LHM pertaining to the captioned matter, as well as six copies of an Informant evaluation memorandum.

NY T-1 is [redacted] located in Legat, Mexico file [redacted].

The attached memorandum is classified "~~Confidential~~" on the basis that unauthorized disclosure of the information contained therein could lead to the identification of sources of continuing value and compromise future effectiveness.

It is felt that inclusion of the subject's name on the Security Index is not warranted at this time, based on criteria established by the Bureau.

3-Bureau (100-438913) (Encl. 12) (RM)
1-100-422116
1-New York (100-143285)
1-New York [redacted]

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Classified by 1259
Exempt from GDS, Category 2, 3
Date of US Declassification Indefinite

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New York, New York
January 8, 1964

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DATE 03-20-2012

Security Matter - C

It is noted that Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico newspapers reported in early summer, 1963, that one hundred United States students would be studying sketching, painting, sculptoring, engraving, regional dances, singing and guitar in the summer courses offered for the first time by the University of Morelos. The students were expected to arrive on July 5, 1963. ~~U~~

The following information was furnished by NY T-1 in June and July, 1963: ~~U~~

Lini De Vries, who claims to have organized this school, was expecting about 80 college students and 120 adults, teachers and tourists. ~~U~~

From all indications, the students have come for purely scholastic reasons, and not for political considerations. The entire promotion of the summer classes appears to be bona fide and non-political. ~~U~~

However, concomitant to the opening of the school, a number of adults who appeared to be more than ordinarily significant from a subversive standpoint appeared in Cuernavaca. Some of these were friends of De Vries from the American Communist Group in Mexico, which, according to NY T-1, is a loose association of a predominantly social

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nature of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for Communism and the Soviet Union. ~~U~~

These people appear to have no direct connection with the University and did not appear to have children attending classes. ~~U~~

On August 2, 1963, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] together with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] who had attended the Summer School at Cuernavaca, Mexico, furnished a list of students who had enrolled for the school. Included on the list was the name [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New York, New York
January 8, 1964

Security Matter - C

Reference is made to the memorandum dated and captioned as above at New York.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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DIRECTOR, FBI [redacted]

1/8/64

SAC, NEW YORK [redacted]

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(OO:NY)

Re letter from Legat, Mexico City to Bureau dated 10/30/63, and Bulet to New York dated 11/25/63, both captioned "American Communists Attending Summer School in Mexico; IS-Mexico" (Bufile 100-422116) (NY file [redacted]).

Transmitted herewith are six copies of an LHM pertaining to the captioned matter, as well as six copies of an informant evaluation memorandum.

NY T-1 is a mail cover on the Czechoslovakian UN Mission, located in 100-93422-Sub C.

NY T-2 is [redacted] located in Legat, Mexico file [redacted]

The pretext telephone call was made by SA [redacted] who represented himself as a representative of a local dancing school soliciting business.

The attached memorandum is classified "~~Confidential~~" on the basis that unauthorized disclosure of the information contained therein could lead to the identification of sources of continuing value and compromise future effectiveness.

It is felt that inclusion of the subject's name on the Security Index is not warranted at this time, based on criteria established by the Bureau.

3-Bureau [redacted] (Encs. 12) (RM)
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1-New York [redacted]
1-New York [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New York, New York
January 3, 1954

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[redacted]
Internal Security - Czechoslovakia

It is noted that on May 10, 1957, NY T-1 advised
that one [redacted]
[redacted] was in contact with the Czechoslovakian MI Mission.

At that time, the Brooklyn telephone directory
reflected that [redacted]
both residents of [redacted] subscribed
to telephone numbers [redacted], respectively.

On May 20, 1957, a pretext telephone call was
made to [redacted] An individual who identified himself
as a maid for the [redacted] family, revealed that [redacted]
[redacted]

It is noted that Czechoslovak, Morelos, Mexico
newspapers reported in early summer, 1953, that one hundred
United States students would be singing, sketching, paint-
ing, sculpturing, engraving, so-called dances, singing and
guitar in the summer concert offered for the first time
by the University of Morelos. The students were expected
to arrive on July 5, 1953.

The following information was furnished by NY T-2
in June and July 1953:

Lini de Vries, who claims to have organized this
school, was expecting about 85 college students and 125
singles, teachers and tourists.

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[REDACTED]

From all indications, the students have come for purely scholastic reasons, and not for political considerations. The entire promotion of the summer classes appears to be bona fide and non-political.

However, concomitant to the opening of the school, a number of adults who appeared to be more than ordinarily significant from a subversive standpoint appeared in Cuernavaca. Some of these were friends of De Vries from the American Communist Group in Mexico, which, according to NY T-2, is a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for Communism and the Soviet Union.

These people appear to have no direct connection with the University and did not appear to have children attending classes.

On August 2, 1968, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], together with [REDACTED] who had
attended the Summer School at Cuernavaca, Mexico, furnished
a list of students who had enrolled for the school. Included
on the list was the name [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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NEW YORK, NEW YORK
January 8, 1954

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Internal Security - Czechoslovakia

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NY T-1 and NY T-2 mentioned in referenced memorandum, have furnished reliable information in the past.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 1/14/64

FROM :

SAC, SAVANNAH [] (RUC)

SUBJECT:

AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING
SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO
INTERNAL SECURITY - MEXICO

ReBulet to New York dated 11/25/63.

A search of the indices of the Savannah Office failed
to reflect any information with []

- ② - Bureau (RM)
- 1 - Savannah

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

FROM : SAC, DETROIT (100-31968) (RUC)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING
SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO
IS - MEXICO

DATE: 1/15/64

Re Bureau letter to New York, 11/25/63.

Files of the Detroit Office contain no information
identifiable with [redacted]

During December, 1963, confidential sources of the
Detroit Office were contacted and were unable to furnish any
information concerning [redacted]

No further investigation being conducted by the
Detroit Office.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: January 21, 1964

FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (100-23261)

- RUC -

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING
SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO
IS - MEXICO

Re: Bulet to New York, 11/25/63 with attached
letter from Legat, Mexico City, to Bureau dated 10/30/63.

Legat, Mexico City letter, 10/30/63, re-
flected that the following individuals from Baltimore
area attended Summer School at Mexico:

No information identifiable with these
individuals was located in Baltimore indices.

1963 Baltimore City Directory indicated that
the parents of these individuals were

No derogatory information identifiable with b6
these individuals was located in Baltimore indices. b7C

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Date 1/29/64

By [signature]

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[signature]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-40857) (C)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNISTS ATTENDING
SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO
INTERNAL SECURITY - MEXICO

DATE: January 21, 1964

Re Bureau letter to New York 11/25/63, and Legat, Mexico City letter to Bureau 10/30/63, enclosing a list of students who attended Summer School at University of Morelos, Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico, 1963.

A check of the indices of the Chicago Division relative to [redacted] failed to reflect any subversive derogatory information concerning this individual in Chicago files at this time.

A review of the Chicago Telephone Directory for 1963 reflected that a telephone was listed to one [redacted] at the address of [redacted]. A check of the indices of the Chicago Division relative to this name was also negative.

In addition the names of [redacted] were checked against the records of the Chicago Credit Bureau on December 10, 1963, with negative results.

Also the records of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, and the Security Section, Intelligence Division, Bureau of Inspectional Services, Chicago Police Department, were checked on December 10 and 11, 1963, relative to the name of [redacted] both of [redacted], and both of these checks were negative.

In view of the fact that the indices of the Chicago Division were negative as to [redacted] no further action is being taken by Chicago at this time and this case is being placed in a closed status.

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Reurairtel 4/16/64 captioned "American Communist Group in Mexico, Information Concerning."

You should advise the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), San Antonio, that your files contain no pertinent information concerning the "American Communist Group in Mexico"; however, INS, San Antonio, may desire to contact Bureau headquarters in Washington, D. C., for pertinent information concerning the "American Communist Group in Mexico."

You should not furnish INS, San Antonio, the report referred to in reairtel captioned "[redacted]" as this report pertains primarily to her and not the American Communist Group in Mexico.

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NOTE:

INS, San Antonio, has requested pertinent information concerning the American Communist Group in Mexico from the San Antonio Office. San Antonio has no pertinent information in its files concerning the American Communist Group in Mexico and it is believed desirable that INS obtain this information directly from Bureau headquarters. The American Communist Group in Mexico is a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the CP, USA and their friends and associates who TBC:ichy share a common sympathy for communism and the Soviet Union.
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (100-9811) (P)

RE: AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO
INFORMATION CONCERNING

By letter dated 4/8/64, [redacted]
[redacted] for Investigations, INS,
San Antonio, Texas, stated the following regarding the
"American Communist Group in Mexico":

"Our office has been requested to obtain
all evidence possible regarding the character
of the above-named group. It is requested that
you furnish us any material or information you
may have on hand concerning it."

Indices, San Antonio Division, reflect the only
reference to such a group is contained on page 2 of the
report of SA [redacted] 9/28/60, at Mexico, D. F., in
the case captioned [redacted] aka, SM-C,
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San Antonio is unaware of any current instructions
that might preclude furnishing this information to INS. In
absence of instructions to the contrary, San Antonio recommends
that a copy of this report be furnished to INS, San Antonio,
pursuant to their request regarding information on captioned
matter. Unless advised to the contrary by 4/29/64, this
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suggested to INS that if any additional information regarding this group is desired, they may wish to contact the Bureau through INS Headquarters at Washington, D. C. INS is being furnished a letter at this time, stating that the files of the San Antonio Division are being reviewed for any pertinent information regarding their inquiry.

UNITED STATES

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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 8/6/64

FROM : *[Signature]* Legat, Mexico (RUC)

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SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO
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Rerep of SA RICHARD S. CLARK, dated 8/28/63, at Mexico City.

This office has not in recent years submitted annual reports in this case although an annual tickler is maintained for the situation to be reviewed to determine whether an annual report is warranted.

Since the submission of referenced report, there has been little change of significance in the ACGM and the important developments relating to individuals associated with that group have been furnished to the Bureau in the appropriate case files.

UACB, therefore, no annual report will be submitted in this case at the present time.

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Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 10/29/65

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SUBJECT:

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Remylet dated 8/6/64.

Instant case is opened annually for the purpose of determining whether or not preparation of a report under the above caption is warranted or feasible.

As the Bureau is aware, there is no formal organization of American Communists living in Mexico, but the above caption has been used as a convenient description of a loosely-associated group of such individuals who continue to meet together socially and to share a common sympathy with communism and the Soviet Union.

There are no meetings, officers, discipline or expressed collective aims and there is a fairly wide social, cultural and economic range represented by the various individuals.

A review of the situation within this group reveals that there have been relatively few changes since the preparation of report of SA RICHARD S. CLARK dated 8/28/63. Therefore, it is considered that a report at this time is unwarranted.

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SYNOPSIS

ACGM continues as an informal association of individuals living in or visiting in Mexico who possess a common interest in the promotion of international communism. Approximately 30 persons are included in the hard core or more active inner circle of this group. Another 50 people on the fringe of this group participate occasionally in some of the activities. Many other individuals who do not reside in Mexico associate with ACGM during visits. No formal organization exists, but certain individuals are looked to for leadership in ACGM affairs. Residence, employments, and thumbnail sketches of associates set out.

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REFERENCES

Report of SA RICHARD S. CLARK 8-28-63, Mexico City;
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

October 31, 1966

AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO

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[CHARACTERIZATION] ~~C~~ U

The American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) is defined or characterized as a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA (CPUSA), and their friends and associates who share a common interest in the promotion of the international communist movement. ~~C~~ U

It must be strongly emphasized that this is an arbitrary name given for this group and that there is not now and has never been any formal organization of these individuals in Mexico. There are no meetings, officers, or clearly defined collective aims. There is no organizational discipline, formal membership, or specific number of associates. ~~C~~ U

The hard core of this group consists of approximately 30 persons, many of whom came to Mexico in about 1950, considering themselves to be political refugees. Continuing allegiance to communism on the part of these individuals and their mutual social involvement have provided a continuity which justifies the above characterization. ~~C~~ U

Some of the hard core of this group had long experience and held official positions in the CPUSA before coming to Mexico. Because of their background and their continued dedication to the promotion of communism, they have been drawn together in a relatively tight-knit group despite a wide range of social, economic, and educational background. In the main, they continue to have an affinity for the CPUSA as well as for the Soviet Union. ~~C~~ U

[RELATIONSHIP WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF MEXICO] ~~C~~ U

The published statutes of the Partido Comunista Mexicano (PCM - Communist Party of Mexico) state, "The Communist Party of Mexico has as its final objectives to construct Socialism and to build the Communist society in Mexico." ~~C~~ U

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Very little direct contact exists between the PCM and the ACGM. This is true for two main reasons: first, for the security of the individual ACGM associates who are afraid of being identified as communists by the Mexican Government; second, that although some of the ACGM associates speak Spanish, their ability to communicate with PCM members is limited. ~~X~~_U

[redacted] serves in somewhat of a liaison capacity between the ACGM and the PCM. ~~X~~_U

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Formerly a member of the CPUSA and now a naturalized Mexican citizen as well as a member of the PCM, [redacted] is looked to for coordination of any joint effort on the part of the two groups. In addition, [redacted] is well known among communist circles in the United States, and she is contacted by numerous individuals visiting in Mexico desiring information concerning Mexican affairs as well as advice even about communist programs in the United States. ~~X~~_U

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On several occasions during recent years, [redacted] has collected funds from various ACGM associates on behalf of PCM or other communist causes. The last such appeal for funds by [redacted] was made during August 1963, shortly after the arrest by the Mexican Government of a large number of alleged communists who were charged with incitement to rebellion, conspiracy, and numerous other offenses. ~~X~~_U

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GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION ~~X~~_U

The large majority of ACGM associates reside and work in the Federal District of Mexico. Another sizeable group reside in Cuernavaca, Morelos. A third group, composed of approximately 10 people, reside in San Miguel de Allende, Guanajuato. Both of the latter two areas appear to have increased in popularity with ACGM associates during the past three years. Three principal ACGM families operate the equivalent of tourist homes in Cuernavaca, which are visited not only by associates in Mexico City but also by visiting friends from the United States. These tourist homes, ~~X~~_U



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operated illegally since they are not licensed by the Mexican Government, provide a source of income for CEDRIC [redacted] BELFRAGE, LINI DE VRIES, and [redacted]. ~~C~~_U ↑

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Other ACGM associates who have occasional contact with the associates in Mexico City are scattered throughout Mexico. ~~C~~_U

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Since the ACGM is not a formal organization, it has no expenses and, therefore, no treasury. ~~C~~_U

Most of the fund-raising activities involving ACGM associates have been in the form of approaches by [redacted] to collect for PCM causes. In these instances [redacted] usually is assisted in the actual collection by ACGM associate CHARLES SMALL (true name CHARLES SMOLIKOFF). ~~C~~_U

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Another recent fund-raising activity has been the soliciting and collection of contributions to support the publication, the NATIONAL GUARDIAN. A separate section of this report is devoted to this activity. ~~C~~_U

[SOVIET UNION - CHINA DISPUTE] ~~C~~_U

During the past three years, the increased widening of the ideological differences between the Soviet Union and Communist China has been of great concern to ACGM associates. For a while quite a large number of the associates were inclined to lean strongly in favor of the Chinese position; however, during the past year, especially after the public denunciation of China by FIDEL CASTRO, many associates have returned to a pro-Soviet Union position. At present only a relative few remain strongly pro-China. As a rule, these individuals possess either a Negro or Latin American background and a strong consciousness of color which makes them identify with other non-white groups. ~~C~~_U

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[VIETNAM WAR] ~~X~~ U

ACGM associates in their social discussions, contacts with friends, and correspondence with former associates in the United States have given their full support and encouragement to any demonstrations and protests being made anywhere in the world against "intervention of the United States" in the war in Vietnam. ~~X~~ U

Students from the United States visiting in Mexico and contacting ACGM associates like [redacted] and CHARLES SMALL have been encouraged to return to the United States to foment opposition to the Vietnam War and to the draft of United States youth for participation in that war. [redacted] particularly has counseled these young men to encourage an increase in the burning of draft cards and the holding of demonstrations at strategic times and places. ~~X~~ U

During the past summer, [redacted] and her husband personally gave support to a young Negro student, [redacted] who fled to Mexico to avoid being drafted. [redacted] was recently joined in Mexico by his wife and infant daughter, and they presently live in the apartment recently occupied by the [redacted] ~~X~~ U

[DOMINICAN REPUBLIC INCIDENT] ~~X~~ U

Since the so-called "intervention" in the Dominican Republic by the United States during 1965, ACGM associates have persistently encouraged and supported protests against such "intervention." ~~X~~ U

Through their contacts in Mexico and through communications with friends in the United States, they tried to do what they felt was their duty to fight "imperialist aggression" on the part of the United States. ~~X~~ U

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~~[CUBAN SITUATION] X U~~

Because Cuba represents what can be accomplished by communism in Latin America, ACGM associates feel that the CASTRO regime must be protected at all costs. While they may not agree with some of CASTRO's methods, they defend him and support him in every way possible. ~~X U~~

Several ACGM associates have friends living and working in Cuba. They correspond with them and entertain them when they are visiting in Mexico. ~~X U~~

~~[LITERATURE AND PROPAGANDA] X U~~

Unlike formally organized communist groups in the United States, the ACGM produces virtually no formal literature or propaganda. ~~X U~~

Many of the ACGM associates subscribe to and support the NATIONAL GUARDIAN, while others subscribe to THE WORKER, distributed in the eastern part of the United States, and the PEOPLE'S WORLD, distributed in the West. Of the three publications, the NATIONAL GUARDIAN is the most popular, possibly because of the fact that CEDRIC BELLERAGE, formerly editor of that publication, resides in Cuernavaca. ~~X U~~

~~[SUPPORT OF THE NATIONAL GUARDIAN] X U~~

The GUIDE TO SUBVERSIVE ORGANIZATIONS, revised, December 1, 1961, describes the NATIONAL GUARDIAN as follows:

"Established by the American Labor Party in 1944 as a 'progressive' weekly. . . . Although it denies having any affiliation with the Communist Party, it has manifested itself from the beginning as a virtual official propaganda arm of Soviet Russia." (Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, Trial by Treason: The National

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Committee to Secure Justice for the
ROSENBERGS and MORTON SOBELL, August 25,
1956, page 12.)

During the past several years, the NATIONAL GUARDIAN has organized and sponsored tours of Mexico for readers of the NATIONAL GUARDIAN in the United States. From the beginning, an effort was made to afford participants of these tours an opportunity to meet with "GUARDIAN readers" in Mexico. Until the past year, this was brought about by a visit to the home of CEDRIC BELFRAGE and by a cocktail party held in the home of CHARLES SMALL. ~~X~~U

With increased popularity of the tours, SMALL found that his home could not accommodate a large number; therefore, parties were held in the hotel in Mexico City in which most of the tour participants were staying. ~~X~~U

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In July 1966 [redacted] the Mexico tour, stated that 102 persons had come from the United States. ~~X~~U

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A cocktail party was held for these individuals on July 15, 1966, in the Hotel Del Prado. On July 29, 1966, another party was held in the same hotel after the tour had returned to Mexico City. ~~X~~U

During this same tour, two bus loads of tourists spent an afternoon in the home of CEDRIC [redacted] BELFRAGE in Cuernavaca. They were served luncheon. Thirty-five bridge tables were set up both in the house and on the patio to accommodate the guests. [redacted] dressed in native Mexican costume, then sold Mexican curios and gifts which she had specifically bought for the occasion. ~~X~~U

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On April 15, 1966, JAMES ARONSON, editor of the NATIONAL GUARDIAN, visited in Mexico to raise funds to finance the publication of the paper. On the evening of that date, a buffet supper was held in the home of [redacted]

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This affair was attended by about 30 of the "elite" associates of the ACGM. ~~X~~U

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After the dinner, ARONSON made a brief speech during which he said the NATIONAL GUARDIAN had at that time about 27,000 subscribers. He also stated that recent issues of the paper had been devoted to discussions of the Vietnam War. ~~X~~ _U

Following his talk, a collection was taken from those present, and ARONSON announced that a total of five hundred dollars had been donated. He said he thought this was an excellent showing, and he thanked those present for their cooperation. ~~X~~ _U

[INDIVIDUAL AFFILIATES] ~~X~~ _U

It is emphasized again that the ACGM is not a membership organization. ~~X~~ _U

Set out below are lists of persons considered affiliated with the ACGM. The first group consists of the hard core or inner circle of the ACGM, persons who, because of their past history of Communist Party activity in the United States, their continued contacts with current CPUSA personalities, and their continued support of all important phases of the international communist movement, are generally accepted by ACGM affiliates as leaders and are looked toward for advice and guidance in the communist movement. ~~X~~ _U

The second group is a rather arbitrary listing of various persons of more than casual interest to the ACGM. Some of these individuals in past years have been among the more active of the ACGM associates but for various reasons have decreased their activity. ~~X~~ _U

The second group includes persons of various nationalities and backgrounds who are known to be related to or associated with individual associates of the ACGM. An effort has been made, however, to confine the individuals' names to those believed to be of security significance; however, this list does not pretend to be a catalogue of all persons in contact with ACGM associates. ~~X~~ _U

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It is pointed out that the inclusion of a given name in the second listing does not necessarily imply that that individual is a communist or is completely sympathetic to communism. ~~X~~ _U

A third listing consists of visitors in Mexico known to have been in social contact with ACGM associates and who are accepted by them politically. ~~X~~ _U

It is noted that there are a number of Americans continuing residence in Mexico who have backgrounds of security interest and who have appeared on past compilations similar to those above but who are not included in the present listings. This is because those individuals are not known to have been in contact with ACGM associates during the past three years and are, therefore, not considered to have any current significance in relationship to that group. ~~X~~ _U

Residence, employment, nationality, etc., concerning individuals listed are the most recent available. In most instances they have been confirmed within the past six months. The data concerning the principal figures is considered up-to-date. ~~X~~ _U

Unless otherwise indicated, all addresses shown are in Mexico City. ~~X~~ _U

In most instances individuals listed are identified by the name by which they are commonly known in Mexico. ~~X~~ _U

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[] CEDRIC BELFRAGE *aka* ~~X~~ _U
[] *Eng*

MEMBERS OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

CEDRIC BELFRAGE, an Englishman, was formerly editor of the NATIONAL GUARDIAN in New York prior to his being deported from the United States. His name appears currently in the masthead of the NATIONAL GUARDIAN as "Editor-in-Exile" as well as Latin American Correspondent. He and his American ~~X~~ _U ↓

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wife came to Mexico from Cuba in December 1962 and since that time have associated intimately with the ACGM. ~~U~~ ↑

The BELFRAGES currently reside at Chalma 101, Cuernavaca, Morelos, which home they are presently buying. As a means of income they operate their residence virtually as a tourist home. They receive the patronage in this tourist home of ACGM associates from Mexico City, as well as friends and visitors from the United States and other countries. Because they are in effect operating a tourist home business illegally, they carefully keep no records and ask their friends to understand and protect their situation. ~~U~~

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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Recent newcomers to the ACGM the [REDACTED] reside at [REDACTED] She is a former teacher and now a housewife; he is a free lance writer. Both are accepted socially and politically among the principal ACGM figures. ~~U~~

On November 30, 1948, ELIZABETH TERRILL BENTLEY, an admitted former espionage agent for the Soviet Union in the United States, advised that [REDACTED] had worked in her espionage group between June 1943 and November 1944. ~~U~~

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[LINI DE VRIES] ~~U~~

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

USA

^{MEXICO} DE VRIES resides at Humboldt 306, Cuernavaca, Morelos, where she runs a small tourist home similar to that run by the BELFRAGES. In addition, she is Director of Foreign Students at the University of Morelos located in Cuernavaca. ~~U~~

A veteran of the Spanish Civil War, she claims she was recruited into the Communist Party by ELIZABETH BENTLEY. Prior to moving to Cuernavaca, she operated summer schools in Jalapa and Oaxaca, Mexico, which gained the reputation of being gathering places for American communists. ~~U~~

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The [redacted] have resided for several years at

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[redacted] is self-employed at his home as an investment counselor, and he appears to be personally very prosperous. His legal and financial advice is sought by many ACGM associates who apparently consider him to be a person of prestige. X

USA [FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD] X

FIELD, who for many years was publicly known in the United States to be an "angel" of the Communist Party, continues to reside [redacted] at Calle Loma de las Palmas 215, Colonia Vista Hermosa, which is off the Mexico - Toluca Highway. X

FIELD operates Compania de Promociones e Inversiones de Mexico, S.A., at Calle Londres 37-201. X U

[MARGARET LARKIN] aka, Margaret Maltz X

Formerly the wife of ALBERT MALTZ, LARKIN resumed her maiden name after receiving a divorce from ALBERT MALTZ. X U

MEXICO LARKIN resides at Calle de Eugenia 122, Colonia Del Valle, and is self-employed as a writer and translator. She has worked as a translator with [redacted] THE CHILDREN OF SANCHEZ, the controversial book on life in Mexico. X

[redacted] X USA.

A veteran of the Spanish Civil War. [redacted] presently resides at [redacted] She receives her support from alimony, free lance writing, and occasional boarders. Because of poor health in recent months, she has not been particularly active, but she still X U

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participates in the more important activities of the ACGM. ~~U~~ ↑

[redacted] *Spain* [redacted] is also a veteran of the Spanish Civil War who presently resides with [redacted] at [redacted]

During recent years, he has attempted to derive an income from the production of movies, but he recently expressed an intention to purchase a large house in Cuernavaca which he might operate as a tourist home. ~~U~~ *Mexico USA*

[redacted] *Mexico USA*
On October 1, 1963, the [redacted] moved from [redacted] to their new home which they had built at [redacted] ~~U~~

Both [redacted] work as artists and art teachers, principally at sculpture. ~~U~~

[redacted] renounced her United States citizenship and became a naturalized Mexican citizen after having married [redacted] a Mexican citizen. Both [redacted] are members of the PCM, and they act as liaison between ACGM and PCM, particularly in collecting funds for the latter. ~~U~~

[redacted] *aka. Samuel Novick*
[redacted] *aka. Samuel J. Novick* *Mexico USA*

The NOVICKs currently reside at Calle de Esteros 43, Colonia Las Aguilas. The address of this residence, formerly listed as Avenida 3 #43, was recently changed to Esteros. ~~U~~

SAMUEL NOVICK currently operates a steel processing plant called Cold Rolled de Mexico, S.A., located at Calzada Ermita Ixtapalapa 333. ~~U~~

Considered to be extremely wealthy by ACGM ~~U~~ ↓

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associates, the NOVICKs are solicited often, not only to participate in social affairs but to make financial contributions to various causes. Politically, the NOVICKs consider themselves "pro-BROWDER" and indicate they disagree with many developments in the communist movement since EARL BROWDER's ouster from leadership in the United States. The NOVICKs also refuse to make contributions to the PCM causes. ~~U~~ ↑

~~U~~ The [redacted] reside at [redacted] ~~U.S.A.~~ Mexico

[redacted] a factory which manufactures radio and record player cabinets, located at Chopo 612-A, Azcapotzalco. The [redacted] appear to be quite prosperous. He claims formerly to have been a paid functionary in the CPUSA. His closest friends in the ACGM are the [redacted], the SMALLs, and the PEPPERs. ~~U~~

~~U~~ ~~U.S.A.~~ Mexico [redacted] GEORGE PEPPER; ~~U~~

~~U~~ The PEPPERs reside at Melchor Ocampo 437, Apartment 601. GEORGE PEPPER is production agent for Producciones Olmeca, S.A., a Mexican film company, located at Calle de Guanajuato 208, Colonia Roma. The PEPPERs associate most closely in the ACGM with the [redacted], the [redacted] the [redacted] and the SMALLs. ~~U~~

~~U~~ The [redacted] continue to reside at [redacted] Mexico - U.S.A.

where [redacted]

The [redacted] reportedly have become very well-to-do since coming to Mexico City. They associate closely with the more well-to-do ACGM associates, except for the CHARLES SMALLs. [redacted] CHARLES SMALL dislike each other very much and avoid each other's company. ~~U~~

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The [redacted] reside at [redacted] ~~X~~ U

[redacted] for Kanneer de Mexico, Calle 3 #8, San Bartolo, Naucalpan, State of Mexico. In [redacted] he is required to travel considerably throughout the Caribbean and Latin America. ~~X~~

As was previously indicated, a fund-raising social for the benefit of the NATIONAL GUARDIAN was held in the [redacted] home during March 1966. ~~X~~ U

[redacted] CHARLES SMALL; ~~X~~

CHARLES SMALL's true name is SMOLIKOFF, by which he was known while a district chairman of the Communist Party in Florida prior to coming to Mexico. ~~X~~ U

Known exclusively as SMALL in Mexico, these individuals live at Calle Mariscal 98, San Angel Inn, and operate a silver and curio shop at Calle Niza 47 in Mexico City. ~~X~~

In recent years CHARLES SMALL has assumed the role of the unofficial leader of the ACGM vacated by ALBERT WALTZ upon his return to the United States. ~~X~~ U

The SMALLs apparently have been very successful financially since coming to Mexico and, although they make themselves available to all ACGM associates and are contacted by many American communists visiting in Mexico City, they confine their social activity in the main to a small circle of well-to-do ACGM associates, including the [redacted] the [redacted] the NOVICKs, and the FIELDS. ~~X~~ U

The SMALLs have [redacted] at Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania. The SMALLs have very carefully ~~X~~ U

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indoctrinated their two older children in Marxism-Leninism. As a student in the United States, [redacted] has participated in left-wing student activities, especially during the past summer when he was working in San Francisco, California. During the past summer, [redacted] also lived, on a "trial marriage basis," with [redacted] of a Communist Party functionary in Buffalo, New York. This relationship had the sanction of both families. ~~X~~U

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~~X~~ [redacted]
The [redacted] present residence is [redacted]

of the Ballet Folklorico where she is known as [redacted] Formerly married to [redacted] she was known for many years by the professional name [redacted] Her present husband is a Mexican. ~~X~~U

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In August 1966 both [redacted] were arrested by the Mexican Government on numerous charges, including incitement to riot, collection of arms, and conspiracy. [redacted] was released shortly after her arrest, but her husband was retained and was subsequently found guilty. His sentence is pending. ~~X~~U

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[redacted] is popular with most of the principal ACGM associates and has resumed her contacts with them after the incident of her arrest. However, her contacts are more discreet than formerly due to her desire not to place her friends in jeopardy because of her arrest and the publicity surrounding it. ~~X~~U

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MR. ASA ZATZ; [redacted]

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The ZATZes continue to reside at Avenida Pennsylvania 232, Apartment 4, Colonia Napoles. He is employed as a free lance writer and translator and recently served as [redacted] at the Ballet Folklorico. [redacted] is ~~X~~U

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a native of Guatemala and is fully accepted by ACGM associates. She professes to be a concert singer and occasionally gives public concerts which are generally supported by her ACGM friends. ~~S~~U ↑

ALBA ZATZ' [redacted] also a [redacted] on October 9, 1966, was deported from Mexico by the Mexican Government for having participated in the student agitation and rioting at the University of Morelia in Michoacan the previous week. [redacted] had previously visited in the homes of many of the ACGM associates. ~~S~~U

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[FRINGE AND FORMER FIGURES] ~~S~~U

[redacted] ~~S~~U
A young art student presently living in Mexico, she is married to [redacted] national. They presently reside at [redacted] ~~S~~U

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While these individuals have had no particular contact with ACGM, their background suggests possible contacts in the future. ~~S~~U

[redacted] ~~S~~U
Formerly an American citizen, she presently resides with [redacted]

[redacted] Both she and her husband are acquainted with most of the principal figures of ACGM. Her husband has been affiliated with communist-dominated organizations in Mexico for many years. ~~S~~U

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Relative newcomers to Mexico, this couple claim to be political refugees from Ecuador. [redacted] originally was from Cuba. He is an artist who, during the past year, has received considerable publicity, having displayed his paintings in the Palacio de Belles Artes. Both individuals have been accepted socially by many of the ACGM figures. ~~U~~

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The [redacted] are newcomers to Mexico, both having been affiliated with a black nationalist organization in Berkeley, California. [redacted] came to Mexico to avoid being drafted into the United States armed forces. His wife followed him after their baby was born during the past summer. They presently reside at [redacted] recently vacated by [redacted] who have rendered assistance and advice to the ALLENS since their arrival in Mexico. ~~U~~

[redacted] ~~U~~

[redacted] resides with his [redacted]

[redacted] He was formerly associated with the firms, Meximex and Precisa, dealing in the importation of goods from the Iron Curtain countries. He is presently affiliated with Agencia de Noticias Frances-Press, Bucareli 18, Mexico, DF. He is a Spanish Civil War veteran and for many years was a close personal and business associate of SAMUEL BROOKS (now deceased) and SAMUEL NOVICK. ~~U~~

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[redacted] was born in [redacted] was born in [redacted]. She became a naturalized United States ~~U~~

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citizen in 1930 at New York. He is a [redacted]
and they live at [redacted]
Although somewhat isolated from ACGM, the [redacted] have many
friends within that group and make occasional contacts with
them. ~~C~~U

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[redacted]
She is an American citizen married to a [redacted]
[redacted] They reside at [redacted]
[redacted] She reportedly was associated
with [redacted] possibly in Soviet espionage in New York,
in the past. Her husband has associated himself with various
communist front organizations in Mexico. They have many
friends among the principal figures of ACGM. ~~C~~U

[redacted] ~~C~~U
Formerly residents of [redacted] and
frequent visitors in Mexico, the [redacted] recently retired
and moved to [redacted], where they
are presently building a home and are establishing a ceramic
business. They are acquainted with many of the ACGM principal
figures and exchange visits with several living in Mexico City. ~~C~~U

~~Step~~ [redacted] ~~C~~U
An Englishman and [redacted] was formerly
married to [redacted] His last known
residence was [redacted], but during the
past months he indicated his intention to accept a teaching
position in Ohio. ~~C~~U [redacted]

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The [REDACTED] reside at [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] factory at that same location, marketing their products through the Bazaar Sabado. They are close friends of [REDACTED] and they have occasional contact with several other ACGM principal figures. ~~U~~

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[REDACTED] ~~U~~
[REDACTED] SAMUEL BROOKS, she lived in Mexico City *Mexico* for a number of years. During the past year, however [REDACTED] Recently some of her ACGM friends in Mexico indicated she is not happy in Los Angeles and might possibly return to Mexico City. ~~U~~

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[REDACTED] ~~U~~
[REDACTED] FREDERICK VANDERSILT FIELD, she currently resides at [REDACTED] record shop named Dalis, located at Amberes 13, Colonia Juarez. She reportedly has only occasional contact with ACGM. ~~U~~ *Mexico*

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HAYWOOD HALL
(HARRY HAYWOOD)

While living in Mexico City during 1965-66, HALL was known generally by the name HARRY HAYWOOD. He returned to the United States in the spring of 1966, and stayed in Detroit, Michigan, for several months before going to California. He has recently indicated he plans to return to Mexico in the near future. ~~U~~

While in Mexico, HALL had some contact with ACGM but was not generally accepted because of his strong advocacy of black nationalism in the United States. ~~U~~

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[redacted] ~~X~~U

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The [redacted] are retired former New Yorkers and reside at [redacted]. They have relatively few contacts with ACGM but associate to a certain extent with ASA ZATZ and [redacted] ~~X~~U

[redacted] ~~X~~U

Until recently, the [redacted] resided at [redacted]. He was self-employed in the textile business. ~~X~~U

He was [redacted] on October 10, 1966, after having been arrested in connection with a student demonstration in Morelia, Michoacan. On October 13, 1966, [redacted] ~~X~~U

The [redacted] were well acquainted with and accepted by many ACGM principal figures who have recently indicated concern for the welfare of the [redacted] ~~X~~U

[redacted] ~~X~~U *N.Y. - Mexico*

She is the [redacted] who is [redacted], of the east coast communist publication, THE WORKER, published in New York. ~~X~~U

[redacted] and she presently resides at [redacted]. She is somewhat of a [redacted] who have indicated that her expenses while in Mexico are paid for by high officials of the CPUSA. ~~X~~U

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She is a [redacted] who resides at [redacted] She is acquainted with numerous ACGM associates but in recent years has developed an antipathy for many of them. ~~X~~U

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[redacted] of a sweater manufacturing company, Roda, S.A., located at Calle del Pino 307. He resides at [redacted] is acquainted with ACGM principal figures but has only limited contacts with them. ~~X~~U

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An [redacted] the Swiss-American Institute, as well as at the National Institute of Fine Arts in Cuernavaca, [redacted] resides at [redacted] is the [redacted] While she is acquainted with many ACGM associates, her contacts with them are limited at present. ~~X~~U

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The [redacted] reside at [redacted] a watch company, Enicar de Mexico, located at San Juan de Letran 13. Although the [redacted] have limited contact with ACGM, they were formerly intimately associated with [redacted] SAMUEL BROOKS. ~~X~~U

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[redacted] ~~X~~U
[redacted] resides at [redacted]

[redacted] with Revlon, S.A. She is acquainted with many ACGM principals. ~~X~~U

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but reportedly has few contacts with them at present. ~~X~~U

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[redacted] music, he also derives income from rentals. A Spanish Civil War veteran, he has occasional contacts with some of the ACGM principals. ~~X~~U

[redacted] ~~X~~U
Mexico

The [redacted] reside at [redacted]

[redacted] He works part-time as a free lance but is virtually retired. The [redacted] are friendly with the [redacted] the [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] ~~X~~U

[redacted] ~~X~~U

They reside at [redacted]

[redacted] in the Hotel Maria Isabel. He continues to [redacted] They are acquainted with many of the ACGM principals but reportedly have relatively little contact with them at present. ~~X~~U

[redacted] ~~X~~U

[redacted] resides with his [redacted]

[redacted] Fabrica de Telas, located also in Villa Obregon. He occasionally exhibits his products in Sala de Arte, Londres 141. [redacted] is a close associate of [redacted] but is acquainted with other ACGM figures. ~~X~~U

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[redacted] ~~X~~U [redacted]
The [redacted] reside at [redacted] He
is employed exclusively as a writer. They are close personal
friends and social acquaintances of the [redacted] and
the CHARLES SMALLS. ~~X~~U

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[redacted] ~~X~~U
She is the [redacted] and
presently resides at [redacted] She recently returned
from the United States, where she taught philosophy for the
past year in Colorado. On her return, she indicated she
expected to resume teaching at the University of Mexico. ~~X~~U

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[redacted] maintains limited contact with a few of
the ACGM principals. ~~X~~U

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[redacted] ~~X~~U
This young couple recently spent the past year in
Mexico City. [redacted] the National Conservatory of
Music. He is also a [redacted] having lived for a
number of years in New York City where he was a member of
the Communist Party. [redacted] ~~X~~U

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While in Mexico, the [redacted] were in contact with
a few of the ACGM associates, but these contacts were limited. ~~X~~U

[redacted] recently returned to [redacted]
[redacted] is reportedly visiting in Peru. ~~X~~U

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MORRIS HARRY SWADESH;

aka. MORRIS Swadesh, ~~X~~U

In January 1966 the SWADESHes returned to Mexico City
after having spent approximately six months at the University ~~X~~U

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of Syracuse in Syracuse, New York, where MORRIS SWADESH was lecturing in his special field of indigenous languages. Upon his return, he indicated he would resume teaching at the University of Mexico. ~~U~~ ↑

SWADESH and [redacted] are acquainted with most of the principal ACGM figures. ~~U~~

[redacted] ~~U~~ Mexico City
[redacted]
and his [redacted] last known to be residing in [redacted] is an [redacted] at San Carlos Academy and is somewhat of a protegee, both artistically and politically, of [redacted]. She presently lives at the [redacted]. ~~U~~

[redacted] is completely alienated from her father and, according to the [redacted] she has been thoroughly indoctrinated politically in communist ideology. The [redacted] disapprove very strongly of [redacted] having recently lived with a Mexican man who is married and has two children. ~~U~~

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The [redacted] both artists, reside in [redacted] citizen. She formerly lived in [redacted] are socially acquainted with ACGM associates, both in San Miguel de Allende and in Mexico City. ~~U~~

[redacted] ~~U~~ ~~U~~
An [redacted] and close friend of [redacted] presently resides at [redacted]. She is acquainted with the ACGM associates and has occasional ~~U~~ ↓

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contacts with them, mainly in Cuernavaca. ~~CU~~ ↑

[redacted] ~~CU~~

The [redacted] reside at [redacted]
[redacted] They [redacted] gift shop and art gallery next
door at Rio Amazonas 17. In addition, [redacted]
[redacted] with Ammex Asociados, S.A., Insurgentes 171-103. ~~CU~~

The [redacted] have limited contacts with ACGM, their
closest friends being the [redacted] ~~CU~~

[redacted] ~~CU~~

Formerly very active and popular principal ACGM
associates, the [redacted] returned to California
about a year ago, reportedly due to his ill health. They
continue to correspond with their friends in Mexico, and in
recent months he has reportedly been seriously ill. ~~CU~~

[redacted] ~~CU~~

Formerly active associates of the ACGM, the [redacted]
presently reside in [redacted] gift
and art shop in Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico. Occasionally
they visit the SMALLs and the [redacted] in Mexico City. They
have a working arrangement with the SMALLs to supply them
with Mexican art works for sale in their shop in Tijuana. ~~CU~~

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4 The following individuals reportedly have been in contact with ACGM while visiting in Mexico in recent years: ~~X~~ U

ALLEN JAMES ARONSON ~~X~~ U *aka. James Aronson* ~~X~~ U

ARONSON, editor of the NATIONAL GUARDIAN, as was previously reported, visited in Mexico during the spring of 1966, at which time he spoke on behalf of the NATIONAL GUARDIAN before an ACGM gathering in order to raise funds for his paper. ~~X~~ U *USA*

LEONARD BOUDIN ~~X~~ U

BOUDIN, a New York attorney, is registered with the United States Department of State as an agent of the Cuban Government. He and his partner, VICTOR RABINOWITZ, make occasional visits to Cuba through Mexico City, at which times they usually make contact with ~~X~~ U

~~X~~ U

This couple, from New York City, visited Mexico City in 1966, at which time they were in contact with several ACGM associates. They indicated they hoped to return to Mexico in the near future. ~~X~~ U

Mr.

GEORGE CROCKETT; ~~X~~ U

30 The CROCKETTs are from Detroit, Michigan, where GEORGE CROCKETT is an attorney for the Communist Party. They make occasional visits to Mexico, during which they contact many ACGM principal figures, especially the and the SMALLS. ~~X~~ U

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The [REDACTED] who are close friends of the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] in their home during 1965.

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This couple, from New York, visited in the home of CEDRIC BELFRAGE during May 1966.

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The [REDACTED] visited in Mexico during November 1965, when they contacted several ACGM associates, especially those who are veterans of the Spanish Civil War.

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Mr. [REDACTED] GEORGE KROTZER;

The KROTZERS, who are archeologists, have spent considerable time in Mexico in recent years working in isolated archeological points of interest. Their last visit was during the spring of 1966, after which they reportedly returned to California. The KROTZERS are acquainted with a few of the ACGM and make occasional contacts with them.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is a wealthy [REDACTED] who, with his wife, makes frequent trips to Mexico, where they have numerous friends among the ACGM. While in Mexico, they spent a considerable amount of their time in Acapulco.

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A [redacted] has become well known in Mexico during recent years, mainly [redacted] THE CHILDREN OF SANCHEZ. [redacted] visited in Mexico during the summer of 1966, at which time he was in contact with several ACGM associates. MARGARET LARKIN did some translation for him on his latest book ~~U~~

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[redacted] The [redacted] citizens who have lived during recent years in Havana, Cuba. They are acquainted with many of the principal ACGM associates with whom they make contact during their occasional trips to Mexico City. ~~U~~

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[redacted] She resides in [redacted] and visited in Mexico City during February 1966 and again during August 1966. During the last visit, she indicated she was in Mexico to obtain a divorce. Her principal ACGM contacts are the CHARLES SMALLS, LINI DE VRIES, and MARGARET LARKIN ~~U~~

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[redacted] This couple, both of whom are Communist Party members in Chicago, Illinois, visited in Mexico City during January and February 1966, at which time they were in contact with several ACGM associates. However, principally because of [redacted] stinginess and inclination to impose on her ACGM contacts, she was made to understand by several of them that she would not be welcome in their homes again. ~~U~~

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[redacted] who spent the summer of 1966 traveling and studying in Mexico. He spent some time in the home of [redacted] and [redacted] who have described [redacted] the Communist Party in Buffalo, New York. [redacted]
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[redacted] ~~X~~ U
The [redacted] visited in the home of the BELFRAGES in Cuernavaca during May 1966 ~~X~~ U *mexico*

[redacted] ~~X~~ U
This couple, who reside in [redacted] and are close friends of the [redacted] the [redacted] and the NOVICKS, visited in Mexico City during 1966 ~~X~~ U

[redacted] ~~X~~ U
This well-known [redacted] and his family visited in the home of the CEDRIC BELFRAGES during the spring of 1966. While in Mexico, [redacted] gave a song recital which was attended by many ACGM associates ~~X~~ U *USA*

[redacted] ~~X~~ U
29 This couple, from New York, New York, visited in the BELFRAGE home during July 1966. ~~X~~ U *mexico*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: September 26, 1967

FROM : LEGAT, MEXICO CITY [REDACTED] RUC

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO
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Rerep of SA JESSE C. PARKER, JR., dated 10/31/66 at Mexico City.

A review of the activities of captioned group since submission of rerep reveals there have been relatively few changes in the make-up, leadership and activities of this informal group and that the preparation of a report is not warranted.

CHARLES SMALL (true name SMOLIKOFF, Bufile 100-12632) remains the acknowledged but unofficial leader of the group, serving somewhat in the capacity of a district organizer or organizational secretary. In June 1967, CHARLES SMALL underwent open heart surgery in Los Angeles, California, to repair damaged heart valves which had given him trouble for many years. SMALL survived this operation and appeared to make excellent recovery. Had SMALL died, however, his loss would have been felt by the ACGM and might have caused some change in the informal leadership structure.

[REDACTED] (Bufile [REDACTED]), an American Negro and former member of CPUSA, now a Mexican citizen, continues to perform somewhat of a liaison service between the Mexican Communist Party (PCM) and ACGM.

[REDACTED] (Bufile [REDACTED]) continues to provide certain [REDACTED] to the associates of ACGM.

Two of the principal ACGM associates died during the past year. These were MARGARET LARKIN (Bufile 100-422317), former wife of ALBERT MALTZ, and MORRIS HARRY SWADESH (Bufile 100-344641). Although not very active in recent years in ACGM affairs, SWADESH was a well known professor in archeology and

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linguistics at the National Autonomous University of Mexico, in Mexico City.

Four new associates (two couples) have moved to Mexico from the United States since the last report. These are [redacted]

[redacted] have built a home in San Miguel de Allende, an artist colony approximately 150 miles north of Mexico City.

[redacted] live in Mexico City and have been generally accepted by ACGM associates there.

[redacted] who live in San Miguel de Allende, afford excellent coverage on the small group of ACGM associates in that town. They also contact other associates of the ACGM in Mexico City approximately once a month.

[redacted] are acquainted with most of the ACGM associates in Mexico City as well as in nearby Cuernavaca.

Additional excellent coverage on the activities of some of the principal ACGM associates is also provided by highly confidential sources [redacted]

[redacted] the results of which are made available to this office.

The Bureau will be advised of any fundamental changes in the structure of instant group as reported by established sources affording coverage thereon.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 1-24-69

FROM : LEGAT, MEXICO [REDACTED] (RUC)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO (ACGM)
IS - MEXICO

Re Mexico City letter dated 9-26-67.

The ACGM is a loose association, of a predominantly social nature, of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for the international communist movement.

This Office continues to use the above paragraph as a characterization of instant group. This characterization has been re-evaluated and is considered currently descriptive of ACGM. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] as well as [REDACTED], who are considered active associates of ACGM, individually concurred in this on 1-20-69.

In addition to the above three informants, the first two of which are [REDACTED], coverage of the activities of ACGM associates is afforded by [REDACTED] who live in [REDACTED] a small town located approximately 150 miles north of Mexico City, which has become famous as an art colony.

Additional coverage is afforded through highly confidential sources [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] and now a naturalized Mexican citizen, on the other hand, represents the pro-Chinese element in the American colony. Despite this difference of political thinking, [REDACTED] and CHARLES SMALL are in frequent contact and coordinate their respective efforts in support of isolated causes for which they have a common sympathy.

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The ACGM has no formal organization and holds no formal meetings. They meet socially in individual homes on various occasions either in large or small groups depending on the specific occasion.

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[REDACTED] all enjoy fairly close relationships with both [REDACTED] and CHARLES SMALL.

Because of [REDACTED] increased activity during the past two years in support of the Black Nationalist Movement in the United States, [REDACTED] on instructions of this Office, [REDACTED]

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The informants report that the general activities of the ACGM during the past year have substantially decreased. This is due to several factors, one of which is that the principal ACGM associates are all now of a rather advanced age. A second factor is that many of them, particularly the better educated and more intellectual ones, since coming to Mexico have become quite successful financially and are enjoying their new affluence.

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Added to this is the fact that during the past year there has been considerable unrest in Mexico due to the numerous student demonstrations which, in general, were fomented and encouraged by more radical elements. The ACGM group, being aware of the increased vigilance of the Mexican Government in its investigation of the demonstrations, have been very reluctant to engage in any activity which might bring themselves to the attention of the Mexican authorities.

According to the informants, CHARLES SMALL, [] (Bufile [] and [] (Bufile [] apparently have become enormously wealthy. []

[] assists several of the more wealthy ACGM associates, particularly CHARLES SMALL, in making short-term investments with high returns. To illustrate the affluence of the SMALLs and the [] during the past year, while planning a two month trip to Europe, CHARLES SMALL was looking for a new home for which he was willing to pay one million pesos (\$80,000 U.S.). A heated indoor swimming pool was one of the specifications.

During the same time, the [] actually built such a home which, according to the informants, is practically a villa in the continental sense of the word.

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Since the referenced letter there have been no deaths among the principal ACGM associates nor have there been any new subjects joining their ranks. The hard core of the group continues to consist of approximately thirty individuals, six of whom live in the town of Cuernavaca,

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Morelos, approximately fifty miles southwest of Mexico City. Several of these run rooming houses frequented mainly by communist friends. CEDRIC and [REDACTED] BELFRAGE (Bufiles 100-34463 and [REDACTED] run the largest rooming house. Another is run by LINI DE VRIES (Bufile 101-4782) and a third by [REDACTED] (Bufile [REDACTED]).

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The BELFRAGES attract most of the communist visitors from the United States. They and their guests exchange visits with some of the ACGM associates in Mexico City.

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The Bureau will be advised of any substantial changes in the character of instant group. 1

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (

DATE: 1/19/70

FROM : LEGAT, MEXICO CITY (100-3414) (RUC)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] NOT
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On 1/6/70 [REDACTED] (PROTECT-RELIABLE) advised that

[REDACTED]
According to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and former member of the Communist Party in the United States, is presently a naturalized Mexican citizen. [REDACTED] are members of the Communist Party of Mexico (PCM - Partido Comunista Mexicano) and she serves in somewhat of a liaison capacity between the PCM and the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM). In addition, according to these sources, the [REDACTED] are very strongly pro-communist China in their sympathies and are strongly in favor of the Black Nationalist movement in the United States.

According to these sources, the ACGM is a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the CPUSA and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for the international communist movement.

During this visit, [REDACTED] stated that she actively supports the New Left and financially contributed to persons opposing the draft. One individual she identified as a recipient of her assistance was the subject. She described subject as a talented pianist, age 23, and a student at the Juilliard School of Music in New York City. [REDACTED] stated that the Juilliard School of Music was aiding subject in avoiding the draft by somehow delaying a degree subject has been working for.

[REDACTED] also stated that subject volunteered to lead a group of music students and other young friends from

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New York City to participate in the "moratorium march" in Washington D. C., in November, 1969, but was prevented from doing so because of a concert engagement at Carnegie Hall. [redacted] added that subject received a "standing ovation" at Carnegie Hall when he stepped out on the stage with a large emblem on his coat objecting to the draft.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/19/70

FROM : LEGAT, MEXICO CITY

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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On 12/30/69 [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] stated that he was from [REDACTED]

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Director, FBI (100-358086)

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Reurlet 1/16/70, entitled [redacted] SM - C,"
MEXfile [redacted]

Dissemination of relet is not being made to field offices or to Legat, Tokyo. There is insufficient identifying data concerning subject to enable these offices to conduct an indices search. Except for the fact that subject visited the home of two persons who are only associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM), there does not appear to be any substantial subversive data concerning [redacted]. Therefore, the additional copies of relet are being destroyed at the Bureau.

Other memoranda of similar content have been received from your office recently. Enclosed for your attention and consideration are single copies of 13 of these memoranda which have been handled.

Data similar to that contained in the enclosed material may best be incorporated in an LHM under the caption of the security subject with whom the individual is in contact, or perhaps included in a general memorandum suitable for dissemination under the caption "American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM), SM - C," Bufile 100-422116. This would enable the Bureau to index names and effect dissemination where necessary. Cases should be opened concerning individuals only when the subversive allegation appears sufficiently material or substantial to justify further investigation. This should in no way deter you in your handling of security matters in Mexico.

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Letter to Legat, Mexico City
RE: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS
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SYNOPSIS

ACGM continues as an informal association of individuals residing in Mexico sharing a common interest in international communism. No formal organization exists, but CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF is loosely regarded as an ACGM leader. ACGM associates critical of Soviet intervention in the Middle East as a result of the 1967 war between Israel and Arab nations and in Czechoslovakia in 1968. Several ACGM associates show some involvement in the Black Nationalism movement in the U. S. and with the New Left.

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REFERENCE

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APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to
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January 26, 1970

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(U) [AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO] ~~C~~

(U) [I. CHARACTERIZATION] ~~C~~

The American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) is characterized as a loose association of a predominately social nature of present and/or past members of the Communist Party (CP), USA and their friends and associates who share a common interest in the promotion of communism. ~~C~~

(U) The ACGM is an arbitrary name applied to the above group; there is not now and has never been any formal organization of these individuals in Mexico. There are no meetings, officers, or clearly defined aims. There is no organizational discipline, membership or specific number of associates. ~~C~~

(U) The most active associates of this group numbers approximately 25 many of whom came to Mexico in approximately 1950, regarding themselves as "political refugees." Continuing allegiance to communism on the part of these individuals and their mutual social involvement have provided a continuity which justifies the above characterization (ACGM). ~~C~~

(U) Some of the more prominent associates had long experience and held official positions in the CP USA prior to coming to Mexico. Because of their background and their continued dedication to the promotion of communism, they have been drawn together in a relatively tight-knit group despite a wide range of social, economic and educational background. ~~C~~

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(U) [II. RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE CP OF MEXICO] ~~C~~

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(U) On September 20, 1966, CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF, also known as Charles Small, frequently looked upon by ACGM associates as an unofficial leader of this group of people, expressed the opinion that it was extremely unwise for any ACGM associate to become involved with the CP of Mexico and thereby risk severe reaction by Mexican government officials. ~~C~~

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The published statutes of the Partido Comunista Mexicano (PCM) state, "The Communist Party of Mexico has as its final objectives to construct Socialism and to build the Communist society in Mexico." ~~C~~

(U) On October 15, 1966, [redacted] me [redacted] ASA ZATZ, both ACGM associates, stated that she and her entire family are very circumspect regarding their expressions on politics in Mexico, adding that any direct relationship with members of the PCM would be disastrous. ~~C~~

(U) [T-2 on 10/18/66] ~~C~~

In July, 1967, members of the PCM are alleged to have discussed the attempt by "foreign communists" residing in Mexico to form a lawyers group for the purpose of having readily available a defense for any individual (foreign communist) arrested by the Mexican government.

(U) [redacted] (T-3 on 7/31/67) ~~C~~ [redacted]

(U) On December 6, 1968, [redacted] who until recently was in a Mexican prison as a result of charges against him of incitement to riot, collection of arms and conspiracy, stated that she was not satisfied with the CP USA and the numerous factions within the CP USA. She added that the PCM was even worse in regard to its leadership. [redacted] added that she maintains ties with "old time comrades" in the U. S., but they also seem to be at a loss as to why the CP USA is split. The [redacted] are associates of the ACGM. ~~C~~

(U) [T-2 on 12/19/68] ~~C~~

(U) Generally there is very little direct contact between the PCM and ACGM because of reasons of security and the occasional problem of an ACGM associate being unable to speak Spanish fluently and thereby failing to communicate with PCM members adequately. In connection with security, ACGM associates are extremely apprehensive over the possibility of being identified as communists by the Mexican government. ~~C~~

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(U) [AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO] ~~C~~

[REDACTED] married to a [REDACTED] serves in somewhat of a liaison capacity between the ACGM and the PCM. Formerly a member of the CP USA and now a naturalized Mexican citizen as well as a member of the PCM, [REDACTED] is still looked upon for coordination in joint efforts on the part of the two groups. In addition, [REDACTED] is well known among communist circles in the U. S. and she is contacted by numerous individuals visiting in Mexico desiring information concerning Mexican affairs as well as advice about communist programs in the U. S. [REDACTED] still collects funds from various ACGM associates on behalf of the PCM and other communist causes. One collection undertaken by [REDACTED] was in 1968 in connection with the student riots. ~~C~~

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(U) [III. LOCATION OF ACGM ASSOCIATES IN MEXICO] ~~C~~

(U) Most ACGM associates reside and are employed in the Federal District of Mexico. Another group resides in Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico. A small group of about ten individuals resides in San Miguel de Allende, Guanajuato, Mexico. San Miguel de Allende and Cuernavaca are popular with ACGM associates and their visitors from abroad. Several ACGM families operate the equivalent of tourist homes in Cuernavaca which are visited by ACGM associates from Mexico as well as visiting friends from the U.S. Other ACGM associates who occasionally contact associates in Mexico City are scattered throughout Mexico. ~~C~~

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(U) [IV. FUNDS] ~~C~~

(U) On August 31, 1966, CHARLES SMALL was soliciting contributions to aid those individuals who had been arrested and accused of being involved in subversive activities in Mexico. SMALL, in soliciting contributions, stated that he was not at liberty to furnish names but was making the collection on behalf of these prisoners. SMALL noted that these individuals had been badly treated and were without food. Only two of the individuals arrested were able to obtain sufficient money for bond, but a great deal of money was needed to assist the others. ~~C~~ ↓

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(U) in this regard. He noted that he was attempting to establish a system of obtaining weekly contributions from persons interested in this matter. ~~C~~ ↑

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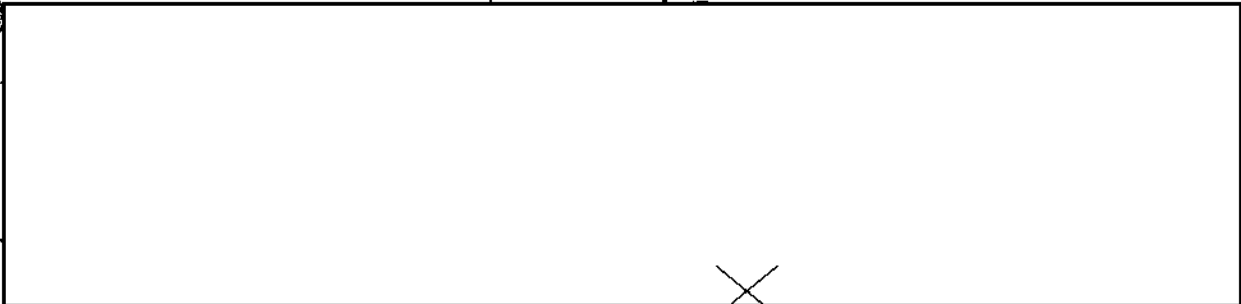
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(U) A characterization of the "National Guardian" may be found in the appendix to this memorandum.



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(U) could also depend on friends, also communists, residing in the U. S. ~~C~~ ↑

(U) [T-2 on 11/1/67] ~~C~~

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

(U) [T-4 on 11/11/67] ~~C~~

In early November, 1967, [redacted] ACGM associates residing in San Miguel de Allende, were upset when they received a letter from CHARLES SMALL appealing for money. SMALL designated the [redacted] as the collection agents in San Miguel for a defense fund of individuals desiring to avoid the draft which would be handled by the American Civil Liberties Union. SMALL stated that the quota for Mexico had been established as \$1,500 and felt that San Miguel de Allende could be responsible for \$500. The [redacted] stated they were willing to donate only \$25 and did not feel justified in seeking contributions in San Miguel since they had just begun to establish themselves among the townspeople in San Miguel and did not want to jeopardize their standing. [redacted] then residing in San Miguel de Allende, an associate of the ACGM, was enthusiastic about the collection although she was in no position, financially, to contribute. However, she was anxious to contact "liberals" in San Miguel for financial contributions. Her enthusiasm relieved the [redacted] of the duty arbitrarily assigned them by SMALL, much to the relief of the [redacted]. At the above meeting regarding the solicitation of funds in San Miguel de Allende, [redacted] stated that SMALL's "position" in Mexico City is to get any tourists who will listen to him off to one corner in order to discuss politics with him and then try to solicit contributions from them for whatever goal he has in mind. ~~C~~

(U) [T-5 and T-6 on 11/9/67] ~~C~~

(U) On January 9, 1968, [redacted] stated that she had been approached by a communist from the U. S., [redacted] for the purpose of arranging a party at her home to collect ~~C~~ ↓

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funds for the CP USA. [] expressed her opposition to American communists coming into Mexico for such activity and that other ACGM associates shared this feeling. She added that PCM members also resent American communists coming to Mexico for money, since they are of the opinion that any money available should go to help free Mexican communists now in Mexican prisons. ~~X~~

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100 pesos (\$8); CEDRIC and [] BELFRAGE (ACGM associates) -
100 pesos (\$8); - ASA [] ZATZ - 50 pesos (\$4); []
[] (ACGM associates) - 100 pesos (\$8); []
(ACGM associate) - 100 pesos (\$8). ~~X~~

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(U) [] could be more valuable in soliciting funds in the quiet manner in which he has solicited funds in the past. ~~C~~

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(U) [(T-1 on 3/26/68)] ~~C~~

(U) On December 9, 1968, [] ASA, as a rule, during the Christmas vacations will travel to New York City to spend the holidays with his relatives and also for the purpose of obtaining financial contributions from unidentified individuals. Any money he collected was turned over to those persons in Mexico City handling attempts to free "political prisoners" incarcerated by the Mexican government. [] that many individuals in the U. S. contributed generously through ASA for this purpose. [] ASA is unable to engage in such activity in Mexico since the Mexican government would take a dim view of this activity, but feels this is no handicap because of his success in New York City. ~~C~~

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(U) On April 1, 1969, [] solicited contributions from ACGM associates for an unidentified "school campaign." The total amount collected by [] on this occasion was unknown. ~~C~~

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(U) [AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO] ~~X~~

(U) [V. SOVIET UNION - RED CHINA CONTROVERSY] ~~X~~

On October 29, 1966, a member of the CP USA visiting Mexico City gave a talk to a number of ACGM associates concerning the Red Guard. He was highly critical of "virulent nationalism and semi-militarism" in Red China. He also stated that the deification of MAO Tse-tung was contrary to all socialist thinking adding that no one was infallible. He commented that with the experiences of the STALIN regime it would appear the Chinese would have learned to avoid this pitfall, but he regarded the actions of the Chinese as having "out Stalined STALIN." The talk included criticism against the Chinese press who worked closely with MAO Tse-tung on the purges occurring at that time. The speaker also stated that those Chinese purged were leaning towards a rapprochement with the Soviet Union and also were opposed to the idea that war is inevitable. The speech put all of the blame on problems existing in Red China on the U. S. for creating the atmosphere of encirclement. He stated that with all the nuclear bases surrounding China and the presence of the U. S. Seventh Fleet in addition to China's being kept out of the U. N. had undoubtedly led to the purges. ~~X~~

The above speaker repudiated the allegation that the Soviet Union was experiencing revisionism. He claimed that revisionism is dying away in Russia, and was highly laudatory in his comments concerning the current state of affairs in the Soviet Union. ~~X~~

(U) [(T-1 on 11/1/66)] ~~X~~

On April 2, 1967, JAMES ARONSON of the "National Guardian" gave a speech before ACGM associates during which time he stated that he regretted the split between the Red Chinese and the Russians, indicating that this hostility only benefited the U. S. He further alleged that the split between the Soviets and Chinese also encouraged the U. S. to continue the war in Vietnam. ~~X~~

(U) [(T-1 on 4/3/67)] ~~X~~

(U) [VI. VIETNAMESE WAR] ~~X~~

(U) On August 31, 1966, CHARLES SMALL distributed to ~~X~~ ↓

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[AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO]

(U) several ACGM associates copies of BERTRAND ~~RUSSELL~~'s "Appeal ^{MEXICO} on Vietnam." ~~C~~

(U) [(T-1 on 9/7/66)] ~~C~~

(U) In the ARONSON talk mentioned above on April 2, 1967, it was stated that opposition to the war in Vietnam was growing in the U. S. and that pacifist organizations were beginning to recognize the necessity for direct action, particularly in the "political field." ARONSON added that it was futile to direct protests to Washington, D. C., since the U. S. Government was determined to escalate the war. He expressed regret at the peace proposals by United Nations Secretary General U THANT describing these proposals as meaningless and merely serving to picture the U. S. Government as seeking peace while branding the North Vietnamese as intransigents. ~~C~~

(U) [(T-1 on 4/3/67)] ~~C~~

(U) Additional visitors from the U. S., in talks with ACGM associates maintained that the U. S. participation in the Vietnamese war was extremely unpopular. ~~C~~

(U) [(T-1 on 1/17/68)] ~~C~~

(U) As stated above under "Funds," on March 11, 1968, [redacted], organized a collection for funds to be sent to North Vietnam. ~~C~~

(U) [(T-2 on 3/20/68)] ~~C~~

(U) [VII. MIDDLE EAST CONTROVERSY] ~~C~~

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(U) With the exception of [redacted] all associates of the ACGM were critical of the Soviet involvement in the Middle East controversy, especially as it related to the war between Israel and Arab states in June, 1967. Most ACGM associates were severely critical of the Soviet Union aiding and abetting nations they felt are feudal in design and practice and warlike in nature. It was further felt that the Soviet action during that period further served to increase tension in the Middle East, thereby adding to the potential for global warfare. ~~C~~

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(U) [redacted], blindly in support of black nationalist activities in the U. S. and entirely sympathetic with the objectives of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY (BPP) which have uttered expressions of support for the Arab nations in the Middle East controversy, has cautiously made statement of support for the Russians in this matter. Aware that most ACGM associates were opposed to the action of the Soviet Union, she exercised caution in making her feelings (in support of the Arab nations and Soviet intervention) known. ~~C~~

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A characterization of the BPP may be found in the appendix to this memorandum.

(U) [VIII. SOVIET INTERVENTION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA] ~~C~~

When the Soviet Union marched into Czechoslovakia in 1968, most associates of the ACGM were appalled at the action. This action by the Soviets on the heels of their support of Arab nations in the Middle East led many ACGM associates to question this policy. Some associates like CHARLES SMALL, who "blindly" approves of any Soviet policy, reacted to both incidents of Soviet intervention in the Middle East and Czechoslovakia by simply remaining silent. ~~C~~

(U) [(T-1 on 4/11/69)] ~~C~~

(U) [IX. CONTROVERSY AMONG ACGM ASSOCIATES] ~~C~~

On April 28, 1967, [redacted] was critical of GEORGE PEPPER (deceased December 14, 1969) [redacted] as "materialistic" and solely interested in accumulating a large amount of money even though they are already wealthy. She further was critical of other wealthy ACGM associates such as CHARLES SMALL for what appeared to her to be a consuming interest in amassing a fortune. She was of the opinion that much of this energy directed toward making money could well be channeled toward the "cause for international communism." ~~C~~

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(U) *Mexico* On the same date [redacted] was also highly critical of ACGM associates SAM [redacted] NOVICK because of SAM's ~~C~~ ↓

MR. [redacted] SAMUEL J. NOVICK

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wealth and [] 'superior attitude' as a result of her having studied at the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM). ~~C~~ ↑

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(U) [T-2 on 5/2/67] ~~C~~

(U) On January 14, 1968, [] ACGM associate, expressed his disapproval of [] noting that when he [] first arrived in Mexico [] made no effort to assist him in getting settled although he had promised to do so in correspondence between the two prior to [] arrival. [] stated that [] thinks of himself as a "big shot." ~~C~~

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(U) As mentioned above, CHARLES SMALL has maintained a one-sided feud with [] and will criticize [] in the presence of any ACGM associate who will listen to him, in an emphatic manner. ~~C~~

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(U) [T-1 on 3/26/68] ~~C~~

(U) [X. 1968 STUDENT REVOLT] ~~C~~

(U) In 1968 during and following the October student riots in Mexico City, [] became actively involved with various facets of this activity such as offering assistance to several imprisoned youngsters. One of these was [] who was incarcerated in the Women's Prison of Mexico City. [] made frequent contact with the Mexican attorney who was attempting to secure release from prison and made numerous attempts to visit [] in her prison cell. She was frequently successful in contacting [] ~~C~~

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(U) In connection with [] aid to [] at this time, several ACGM associates were critical of [] in that they felt she was in error in attempting to assist [] because they felt [] was "morally unstable" and that [] was jeopardizing her status as a naturalized Mexican citizen by this contact. ~~C~~

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[redacted] in December, 1968, was highly sympathetic with the imprisoned students since her own husband was a "political prisoner." ~~X~~

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(U) [(T-2 on 12/19/68)] ~~X~~

(U) Most ACGM associates, although very sympathetic with the student revolt in 1968, were careful to prevent their feelings being called to the attention of the Mexican government as they were extremely apprehensive over being arrested for this sympathy. ~~X~~

(U) [(T-1)] ~~X~~

(U) [XI. "NATIONAL GUARDIAN" CONTROVERSY] ~~X~~

(U) On August 31, 1966, CHARLES SMALL was observed furnishing a recent copy of the "National Guardian" to an ACGM associate. ~~X~~

(U) [(T-1 on 9/7/66)] ~~X~~

(U) As mentioned above, on April 2, 1967, JAMES ARONSON, then of the "National Guardian," was in Mexico City to talk to ACGM associates for the purpose of raising funds for the publication. ~~X~~

(U) [(T-1 on 4/3/67)] ~~X~~

(U) On April 28, 1967, [redacted] expressed surprise upon hearing that CEDRIC BELFRAGE and JAMES ARONSON had resigned as editors of the "National Guardian". This surprise stemmed from ARONSON's recent fund raising speech in Mexico City (April 2, 1967). [redacted] felt that at that late date ARONSON must surely have known of his intentions to resign from the publication. ~~X~~

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(U) [(T-2 on 5/2/67)] ~~X~~

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(U) On January 9, 1968, CHARLES SMALL, in correspondence with JANE MC MANUS of the "National Guardian," advised MC MANUS that he could no longer be counted on for financial assistance to the paper because of his disapproval of the ~~X~~ ↓

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resignation from the publication of BELFRAGE and ARONSON. He also noted that as far as plans were concerned to establish a retirement center in Mexico for subscribers to the "Guardian" he also could no longer be counted on for any financial or moral support. ~~X~~

(U) [(T-1 on 1/17/68)] ~~X~~

On January 28, 1968, [] stated that she had been in Cuernavaca visiting the BELFRAGES and observed an "unhealthy division" between ACGM associates and CP, USA members in New York City as a result of the "National Guardian" controversy. [] was of the opinion that criticism directed against BELFRAGE by CP, USA members in New York City for resigning as foreign editor of the publication was unfair. ~~X~~

(U) [(T-2 on 2/2/68)] ~~X~~

(U) [XII. REACTION TO THE 1968 ELECTIONS IN THE U. S.] ~~X~~

On January 14, 1968, [] a CP USA member from New York City, visiting with a number of ACGM associates, stated that the most important issue in the 1968 presidential election was the war in Vietnam describing it as the most unpopular war in the history of the U. S. He noted that he felt there was no value in establishing a third party, and it was imperative to work within the framework of the Democratic Party in order to establish as many "peace candidates" as possible. As an example of his reference to peace candidates, he mentioned Senator EUGENE MC CARTHY and the "California Young Democrats" who refused to support former president LYNDON B. JOHNSON. ACGM associates were entirely in accord with NORTH's views concerning these election objectives. ~~X~~

(U) [(T-1 on 1/17/68)] ~~X~~

(U) [XIII. CUBAN TRAVEL] ~~X~~

Persons en route to Cuba via Mexico frequently contact ACGM associates for assistance in establishing contact with officials of the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City. Because of favorable relations between some ACGM associates and Cuban Embassy officials such as in the case of [] these contacts prove successful in easing travel ~~X~~

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regulations for these persons. Further, several ACGM associates such as CHARLES SMALL avidly seek out persons in Mexico City who have traveled to Cuba to obtain current impressions of their visit. ~~C~~ ↑

(U) (U) [(T-1)] ~~C~~
(U) [XIV. LITERATURE AND PROPAGANDA] ~~C~~

On November 30, 1966, CHARLES SMALL advised an ACGM associate that for a Christmas gift for that year he was giving the associate a year's subscription to "Freedom Way" described as a communist oriented publication. SMALL also receives on a regular basis the English edition of "Granma" published in Havana, Cuba. SMALL maintains a subscription for the "Guardian." ~~C~~ (U)

(U) [(T-1 on 12/1/66)] ~~C~~
On December 9, 1968, [] stated she receives an abundance of communist literature from Italy through her [] who resides there. In addition, she subscribes to the "Guardian" and particularly enjoys reading "Ramparts." ~~C~~

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(U) [(T-2 on 12/19/68)] ~~C~~
In the apartment of [] there is maintained a number of copies of communist literature including the "Monthly Review," "Ramparts," "National Guardian," "Minority of One," "The Worker," publications and books concerning Black Nationalism and publications favoring the North Vietnamese. ~~C~~

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(U) [(T-2 on 12/19/68)] ~~C~~
When [] in prison in December, 1968, she brought with her numerous copies of "Ramparts," Black Nationalism books and magazines and other communist literature. She also furnished copies of these publications and books to ACGM associates. ~~C~~

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For Christmas, 1969, CHARLES and [] sent greeting cards to ACGM associates with a quotation from ALFRED LORD TENNEYSON:

(U) "Ring out old shapes of foul disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old;
Ring in the thousand years of peace."

To a number of ACGM associates they also distributed as a gift a book entitled, "Capitalism and Underdevelopment in Latin America, A Historical Study of Chile and Brazil." This book contains essays by ANDRE GUNDER FRANK and is published by Monthly Review Press. ~~C~~

(U) (T-5 and T-6 on 12/30/69) ~~C~~

(U) XV. VETERANS OF THE ABRAHAM LINCOLN BRIGADE AND RELATIONSHIP WITH SPANISH CP IN MEXICO ~~C~~

(U) In September, 1966, [] indicated a desire to purchase a book on the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade (VALB). ~~C~~

(U) (T-1 on 9/27/66) ~~C~~

The VALB has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

(U) In 1967 several ACGM associates, who are members of the VALB, made substantial donations to the Spanish CP located in Mexico City. ~~C~~

(U) (T-1 on 4/3/67) ~~C~~

(U) On March 19, 1968, CHARLES SMALL indicated that he had purchased several paintings sold by the Spanish CP in Mexico City and on that date also purchased a raffle ticket for paintings from a member of the VALB who is also an ACGM associate. ~~C~~

(U) (T-1 on 3/26/68) ~~C~~

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An ACGM associate and member of the VALB solicited a \$10 contribution from a CP USA member in New York City for the Spanish CP in Mexico City. ~~C~~

(U) [(T-1 on 4/11/69)] ~~C~~

(U) [XVI. RELATIONS WITH SATELLITE DIPLOMATIC ESTABLISHMENTS IN MEXICO] ~~C~~

(U) CHARLES SMALL, as noted above, receives the English edition of "Granma" from an ACGM associate who obtains this publication from the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City. ~~C~~

(U) [(T-1 on 9/7/66)] ~~C~~

(U) Several ACGM associates contribute various sums of money for retarded children in Cuba and make these contributions through the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City. ~~C~~

(U) [(T-1 on 4/11/69)] ~~C~~

(U) On April 17, 1969, a number of ACGM associates attended a commemoration program honoring the Warsaw Ghetto uprising in Mexico City sponsored by the Polish Embassy in Mexico City. ~~C~~

(U) [(T-1 on 4/18/69)] ~~C~~

(U) In early 1968 [] attended the inauguration of the Czechoslovakian exposition in Mexico City at the express invitation of the officials of the Czech Embassy in Mexico City. ~~C~~ b6 b7C

(U) [(T-2 on 3/20/68)] ~~C~~

[XVII. INVOLVEMENT IN BLACK NATIONALISM]

(U) In 1967 [] permitted the use of an apartment owned by her in [] of Black Nationalism in the U. S. and suspected of being a member of the BPP. ~~C~~ b6 b7C

(U) [(T-2 on 5/2/67)] ~~C~~

(U) The talk given by [] in Mexico City on January 14, 1968, mentioned above, included comments concerning the black power movement. [] commented that he felt the concept of ~~C~~ ↓

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black power was good with the exception of the philosophy of isolating the movement from communism. He further objected to the alienation of whites from this movement. All ACGM associates with the exception of [] agreed with [] sentiments. ~~X~~

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(U) [(T-1 on 1/17/68)] ~~X~~

On January 9, 1968, [] stated that she had become primarily interested in the black power movement and was reading as much material concerning this philosophy as possible. Included in this material was a book on the black power movement by [] and

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STOKELEY CARMICHAEL. In commenting on black power, [] stated that it would be the "revolution we have all been waiting for in the form of guerrilla warfare in the U. S." [] felt that CARMICHAEL must have obtained many of his ideas on guerrilla warfare from the Cuban revolution. She agreed with the concept that police forces must be entirely disrupted in all of the large cities in the U. S. so that guerrilla warfare may follow and overthrow the U. S. Government. ~~X~~

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(U) [(T-2 on 1/16/68)] ~~X~~

In connection with the speech made before associates of the ACGM by [] on January 14, 1968, stated she felt that [] as well as other whites did not have a clear understanding of CARMICHAEL's objectives in the black power movement. [] stated that CARMICHAEL did not advocate the isolation of whites from this movement but insists that an all Negro effort should be made for a Negro struggle. The leadership for such a movement must necessarily be entirely Negro and not monopolized by whites as has been the case in the past. In this instance [] cited the involvement of whites in the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Urban League and the general movement of non-violence led by deceased Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING. ~~X~~

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(U) [(T-2 on 1/16/68)] ~~X~~

On January 28, 1968, [] stated that CHARLES SMALL is in entire agreement with her regarding her feelings of the black power movement in the U. S. SMALL ~~X~~

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feels, according to [] that the black power movement is a "powerful weapon for the beginning of revolution" not only in the U. S. but for the world in general. ~~C~~ ↑

(U) [(T-2 on 2/2/68)] ~~C~~

On December 14, 1968, [] stated that she had been contributing regularly to the BPP through [] who was then in Berkeley, California. On this occasion she added that she was deeply concerned for the safety of LEROY ELDRIDGE CLEAVER, BPP leader now residing in Algeria. CLEAVER, Minister of Information of the BPP, is a parolee who was freed in December, 1966, after serving nine years in California prisons. He was returned to prison in April, 1968, due to his involvement in a gun battle with Oakland, California police. He was again released after two months following a court ruling that his parole had been improperly revoked for political activity. This decision was overruled by higher California courts and CLEAVER was scheduled to return to prison on November 27, 1968. He failed to appear and on December 10, 1968, a Federal fugitive warrant was issued charging him with unlawful flight to avoid confinement. ~~C~~

(U) [(T-2 on 12/19/68)] ~~C~~

On December 6, 1968, [] stated that some of the division being experienced in the CP USA is the result of the black power movement and the BPP. She was of the opinion that the civil rights movement for the Negroes would be seriously endangered because of the "going it alone" concept of Black Nationalism. ~~C~~

(U) [(T-2 on 12/19/68)] ~~C~~

(U) [XVIII. INVOLVEMENT WITH THE NEW LEFT] ~~C~~

On September 20, 1966, CHARLES SMALL stated that from [] living in the U. S. he learned that youth organizations, according to [] would not do much on a national scale but would concentrate their efforts in each community. He stated that "youth" in the U. S. was frustrated and seemed to have lost faith in all political organizations. As an example, he cited the efforts of the CP USA in California campaigning against California Governor RONALD REGAN but failed ~~C~~ ↓

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(U) to note any support of former governor of California, [redacted] He questioned youth's ability to identify valuable individuals from enemies of "progressivism." ~~C~~ ↑

(U) [(T-1 on 9/27/66)] ~~C~~

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(U) As noted above under "Funds", CHARLES SMALL in 1967 was soliciting funds with an objective of \$1,500 to aid individuals opposed to the Selective Service System in the U. S. ~~C~~

(U) [(T-5 and T-6 on 11/9/67)] ~~C~~

(U) [XIX. PRINCIPAL FIGURES]

(U) Bearing in mind that the ACGM is not an organization and thereby without membership, comment can only be made as to the identification of ACGM associates considered as hard core or inner circle. These individuals are persons who because of their past history of CP USA activity in the U. S., their continued contacts with current CP USA personalities and their continued support of all important phases of the international communist movement are tacitly regarded by other ACGM affiliates as leaders and occasionally are consulted for advice and guidance in connection with policies and the philosophy of the communist movement. ~~C~~

(U) [CEDRIC BELFRAGE] ~~C~~
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(U) CEDRIC BELFRAGE, an Englishman was formerly editor of the "National Guardian" in New York prior to his being deported from the U. S. He and [redacted] in December, 1962, and since that time have been active associates of the ACGM. ~~C~~

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(U) The BELFRAGES continue to reside in Cuernavaca, Morelos. The home they are living in in Cuernavaca serves as a means of income since it is operated virtually as a tourist home. They receive patronage in this enterprise from ACGM associates from Mexico City, other parts of Mexico and from the U. S. and other countries. Since they are, in effect, operating a tourist home business illegally they carefully ~~C~~ ↓

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(U) keep no records and ask their friends to understand this situation and proceed accordingly. ~~C~~ ↑

(U) [T-1] ~~C~~

MR. [redacted] MR. [redacted]
(U) [redacted] continues as a [redacted] and

[redacted] Both are prominent socially and politically accepted among most principal ACGM individuals. ~~C~~

(U) [T-1] ~~C~~

(U) *MR. [redacted] MR. [redacted]*
[redacted] in Mexico City. and his wife ABBY are recent newcomers to Mexico City. [redacted]

[redacted] appears to restrict her activities to that of housewife and [redacted] is gainfully employed in Mexico City as

[redacted] and contributes articles to large [redacted] U. S. publications. It has been alleged that [redacted] is a member of the BPP and his expressions regarding objectives of the BPP, the philosophy of Black Nationalism and inequities suffered by Negroes in the U. S. are harsh, sometimes vicious and uttered with a great deal of emotion. His close associate in Mexico City is [redacted] who shares many of [redacted] ideas regarding the above issues. ~~C~~

(U) [T-1 and T-2] ~~C~~

(U) *MR. [redacted]*
[redacted] LINI DE VRIES ~~C~~

(U) This individual also resides in Cuernavaca and operates a small tourist home similar to that of the BELFRAGES. She is a veteran of the Spanish Civil War and claims recruitment into the CP USA by ELIZABETH BENTLEY. During the past two years, DE VRIES has not made many statements or expressions regarding her support of communist philosophy or policy, but maintains close contact with several of the more leading ACGM associates. ~~C~~

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(U) [redacted] ~~C~~
[redacted] continuing to reside with [redacted] He operates as an [redacted] and appears to be highly prosperous. He also continues to furnish legal and financial advice sought by many ACGM associates who consider him an influential person. [redacted] appears to be more closely associated with CHARLES SMALL than any other ACGM associate. ~~C~~

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(U) [FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD] ~~C~~

(U) FIELD continues to reside in Mexico City and operates an investment company in the city. His statements and support of communist philosophy have been infrequent in the past few years. He also maintains a close association with CHARLES SMALL. ~~C~~

(U) [redacted] ~~C~~
[redacted] of the Spanish Civil War residing in [redacted] Her means of support stems from [redacted] and taking in boarders in her home. She still continues in poor health but maintains a rather active association with other ACGM associates. ~~C~~

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(U) [redacted] ~~C~~
Also a veteran of the Spanish Civil War. [redacted] now resides in [redacted] ROSEANNE is deceased. He still owns a home in Cuernavaca which he rents and uses as an additional means of income. [redacted] recently indicated a desire to travel to Cuba to assist in a sugar cane cutting program. ~~C~~

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(U) [redacted] ~~C~~
[redacted] continue to reside in Mexico City and maintain an additional apartment which they formerly occupied. Frequently this apartment has been used by visitors from the U. S. but is now rented by [redacted] continues employment as an [redacted] in Mexico City and [redacted] does some painting and general art work. During the past few years, the [redacted] have acted as collecting agents for fund drives regarding various causes. [redacted] receives a quantity of Black Nationalism literature including the BPP newspaper and judiciously distributes some of this literature to other ACGM associates. During the student revolts in Mexico in 1968, [redacted] involved herself in some degree of support for the students at a great risk to her immigration and citizenship status in Mexico. Following this episode, she began to evidence an enthusiastic interest in matters concerning the BPP and on one occasion considered traveling to California to meet with BPP leaders. She was dissuaded from doing so primarily by [redacted] who appears to be more critically aware of the hazards involved in such action. ~~C~~

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(U) One [redacted] provided by the Czech government. A serious problem has been encountered in the [redacted] home with another [redacted] ~~C~~

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(U) Occasionally [redacted] strong statements in support of Black Nationalism, which occasionally aligns itself with the Red Chinese as opposed to the Soviet Union, has caused several ACGM associates to question her judgment. ~~C~~

(U) (T-1 and T-2) ~~C~~

(U) [redacted] SAMUEL J. NOVICK ~~C~~

(U) The NOVICKs continue to reside in Mexico City and to prosper as a result of SAMUEL's steel processing plant [redacted] They are considered ~~C~~

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(U) to be one of the most wealthy families among ACGM associates and are invariably solicited for various contributions. ~~C~~ ↑

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(U) ~~[redacted]~~ ~~C~~
The ~~[redacted]~~ continue to reside in Mexico City, and ~~[redacted]~~ is still the ~~[redacted]~~ of a very prosperous concern which manufactures radio and record player cabinets. He also is considered to be one of the more wealthy ACGM associates and contributes generously to solicitation of funds for various causes. ~~C~~

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(U) ~~[(T-1)]~~ ~~C~~

(U) ~~[redacted]~~ ~~C~~
~~[redacted]~~ GEORGE PEPPER, died on December 14, 1969. Prior to his death the PEPPERS were close associates of the more wealthy ACGM associates such as the SMALLS;
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(U) ~~[redacted]~~ ~~C~~
The ~~[redacted]~~ also continues to reside in ~~[redacted]~~ ~~[redacted]~~ continues to operate the art gallery, Galeria Bryna. With the exception of the SMALLS, the ~~[redacted]~~ are closely affiliated with the more wealthy ACGM associates in Mexico City. They also contribute to communist causes. ~~C~~

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(U) ~~[(T-1)]~~ ~~C~~

(U) ~~[redacted]~~ ~~C~~
Maintaining their Mexico City residence, ~~[redacted]~~ continues to travel throughout the world in his capacity as ~~C~~ ↓

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[redacted] of Kawnear de Mexico. [redacted]

but has since given up this work because of poor health.

[redacted] maintain close association with SMALLs and the [redacted] and contribute generously to various fund collections. ~~C~~

(U) [(T-1)] ~~C~~

(U) [CHARLES SMALL] ~~C~~

CHARLES SMALL, District Chairman of the CP in Florida prior to coming to Mexico, may be considered as the unofficial leader of the ACGM because of his comparative astute knowledge of current events and matters of importance dealing with the CP USA and the New Left. [redacted]

[redacted] person on world events and the "progressive movement." They still maintain their home in Mexico City and CHARLES SMALL operates a very successful gift shop in downtown Mexico City. He also is able to obtain a large number of pre-Columbian artifacts which he illegally exports to the U. S. through visitors. These visitors take any number of pieces along with them as handcarried items aboard their respective airplanes. ~~C~~

(U) The [redacted] was very prominent in the riots in London, England, in 1968 especially in attempts by rioters to invade the U. S. Embassy there.

[redacted] Pennsylvania. [redacted]

(U) at Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania. ~~C~~

CHARLES SMALL contributed a small amount of money to the BPP in 1968. He enthusiastically encourages [redacted]

[redacted] to actively participate in student demonstrations in the U. S., and additionally is alleged to have harboured draft dodgers and deserters from the U. S. Armed Forces in Mexico City. ~~C~~

(U) [redacted] [(T-1)] ~~C~~

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The [] present residence is []

of the Ballet Folklórico where she is known as []
Formerly married to [] she was known for
many years by the professional name [] Her present
husband is a Mexican. ~~C~~

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In August, 1966, both [] were
arrested by the Mexican government on numerous charges,
including incitement to riot, collection of arms, and
conspiracy. [] was released shortly after her
arrest, but [] was retained and was subsequently
found guilty. He is presently free on bond. ~~C~~

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[] is popular with most of the principal
ACGM associates and has resumed her contacts with them after
the incident of her arrest. However, her contacts are more
discreet than formerly due to her desire not to place her
friends in jeopardy because of her arrest and the publicity
surrounding it. ~~C~~

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(U) [(T-1 and T-2)] ~~C~~

(U) [ASA ZATZ] ~~C~~

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The ZATZes continue to reside at Avenida Pennsylvania
222, Apartment 4, Colonia Napoles. He is employed as a
free lance writer and translator and recently served as
lighting director at the Ballet Folklórico. []

[] and is fully accepted by ACGM associates.
[] and occasionally gives
public concerts which are generally supported by her ACGM
friends. ~~C~~

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[]
[] on October 9, 1966, was deported from Mexico by
the Mexican government for having participated in the student
agitation and rioting at the University of Morelia in
Michoacan the previous week. [] had previously
visited in the homes of many of the ACGM associates. ~~C~~

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Black Panther Party for
Self Defense

According to its official newspaper, the Black Panther Party (BPP) was started during December, 1966, in Oakland, California, to organize black people so they can take control of the life, politics, and the destiny of the black community. It was organized by [redacted] and HUEY P. NEWTON, BPP minister of Defense. NEWTON is presently serving a sentence of 2 to 15 years on a conviction of manslaughter in connection with the killing of a Oakland police officer. b6 b7C

The official newspaper, "The Black Panther," which further describes itself as the "Black Community News Service," states that the BPP advocates the use of guns and guerrilla tactics in its revolutionary program to end oppression of the black people. Residents of the black community are urged to arm themselves against the police who are consistently referred to in the publication as "pigs" who should be killed.

"The Black Panther" issue of September 7, 1968, contains an editorial by BPP Minister of Education, [redacted] which ends with the following: b6 b7C

"Black men. Black people, colored persons of America, revolt everywhere! Arm yourselves. The only culture worth keeping is a revolutionary culture. Change. Freedom everywhere. Dynamite! Black Power. Use the gun. Kill the pigs everywhere."

Included in the introduction to an article appearing in the October 5, 1968, edition of "The Black Panther" is the statement, "...we will not dissent from American Government. We will overthrow it."

Issues of "The Black Panther" regularly contain quotations from the writings of Chairman MAO Tse-tung of the People's Republic of China and feature MAO's statement that "political power grows out of the barrel of a gun."

The national headquarters of the BPP is located at 3106 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley, California. Branches have been established at various locations throughout the United States.

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"GUARDIAN" FORMERLY KNOWN AS
"NATIONAL GUARDIAN;"
WEEKLY GUARDIAN ASSOCIATES, INCORPORATED

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., contains the following concerning the "National Guardian:"

"1. ...'established by the American Labor Party in 1947 as a "progressive" weekly...it has manifested itself from the beginning as a virtual official propaganda arm of Soviet Russia.'"

The February 3, 1968, issue of the "National Guardian" announced that as of the issue of February 10, 1968, the "National Guardian" would henceforth be known as the "Guardian."

The February 10, 1968, issue of the "Guardian" is self-described as an "independent radical newsweekly" and is published by Weekly Guardian Associates, Incorporated. The "Guardian" lists its address as 197 East Fourth Street, New York, New York.

The February 12, 1968, issue of the "New York Times" carried an article entitled, "Radical Editors Say Their Job Is In 'Movement.'" This article stated that the first issue of the "Guardian" was dedicated by the paper's staff "to those heroic Liberation fighters who last week began a major offensive against American Imperialism in South Vietnam."

This article quoted one of the editors as saying that "our job is to build a Radical movement. To quote the Cuban revolutionaries, we are not only to write about it, but also to move along with it--we are movement people acting as journalists."

"The 'Guardian' takes a strong left position, but it is not identified with any organized group because it believes that an American left ideology is still in the making. One of its purposes is to break away from the cliches of the left ideology of the past."

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This article concluded by stating that the "Guardian" is considered the largest radical weekly in America.

A characterization of the American Labor Party is attached separately.

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AMERICAN LABOR PARTY

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., contains the following concerning the American Labor Party:

"AMERICAN LABOR PARTY

"1. 'For years, the Communists have put forth the greatest efforts to capture the entire American Labor Party throughout New York State. They succeeded in capturing the Manhattan and Brooklyn sections of the American Labor Party but outside of New York City they have been unable to win control.' (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 78.)

"2. 'Communist dissimulation extends into the field of political parties forming political front organizations such as the * * * American Labor Party. The Communists are thus enabled to present their candidates for elective office under other than a straight Communist label.' (Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)"

On October 7, 1956, [] New York State [] American Labor Party, publicly announced the American Labor Party State Committee unanimously approved a resolution dissolving the organization and ordering the liquidation of its assets.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

January 26, 1970

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distributed outside your agency.

Reference is made to the memorandum dated and
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T-1 through T-3, T-5 and T-6, referred to therein,
have furnished reliable information in the past. ~~C~~

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (

DATE: 1/15/70

FROM: LEGAT, MEXICO CITY [REDACTED] (RUC)

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
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On 1/5/70 [REDACTED] (PROTECT-RELIABLE) advised that on 12/31/69 at a New Year's Eve party at the home of SAM [REDACTED] NOVICK, associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM), Mexico City, subject and his wife were among the guests. Subject's wife was described only as a "Hindu."

According to these sources, the ACGM is a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the CPUSA and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for the international communist movement.

Subject stated that he was a [REDACTED] with residence in [REDACTED]. He stated he was opposed to the war in Vietnam and participated in a demonstration against the war. Commenting on President RICHARD M. NIXON, subject stated "He is the saddest example of a president." Subject's wife made no comment on politics.

Mexico City indices contain no reference identifiable with subject.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (

DATE: 2/4/70

FROM : LEGAT, MEXICO CITY (100-new) (RUC)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] (LNU)
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[REDACTED] CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF, aka Charles
Small, [REDACTED]
(Bufiles 100-12632 and [REDACTED] respectively, associates
of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM).

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According to [REDACTED] the ACGM
is a loose association of a predominantly
social nature of present and/or past members
of the CPUSA and their friends and associ-
ates who share a common sympathy for the
international communist movement.

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The above contact indicated that subject and his
wife [REDACTED] were recently in Mexico where they had person-
ally visited the SMALLS. Subject indicated to CHARLES SMALL
that he received a letter from SMALL which he referred to
as "the underground papers." Subject also indicated he had
been unable to develop much information on this matter but
has several unidentified individuals looking into it. He
stated that he was of the opinion that the matter is "a hell
of an idea." Subject added that one [REDACTED] is in the
Army and has advised that "he can do more in than out."

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Mexico City indices contain no reference identi-
fiable with [REDACTED]

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- 5 - Bureau
 (1 - Liaison Section)
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-422116)

DATE: 1/22/71

FROM : LEGAT, MEXICO CITY [REDACTED] (RUC)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO
IS - MEXICO

Rerep of SA HAROLD RUBENSTEIN, 1/26/70 at Mexico City.

On 11/19/70 [REDACTED] (PROTECT) advised that individuals who had come to his attention in recent months as being visitors to Mexico from the United States who had contact with associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico were the following, all of whom reside in New York City:

[REDACTED]
and [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] further described as a [REDACTED] reportedly connected with the peace movement and the Black Panther Party (BPP) in the United States. The source was unable to specify the basis for [REDACTED] alleged connection with the peace movement and the BPP.

The foregoing is furnished to the Bureau and New York inasmuch as three individuals have reportedly visited with communist elements in Mexico. If additional information as to background of these persons should be desired, it can possibly be obtained through another source of Mexico City; however, in the absence of any specific request from the New York Office, no further action is being taken at this time.

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Legat, Mexico City [redacted]

8/25/70

Director, FBI [redacted]

LEGAL ATTACHE INFORMANTS
MEXICO CITY

Reurlet dated 8/7/70 and captioned "Informants for Mexico City."

7/27
The Bureau has carefully noted your request concerning the possibility of canvassing domestic field offices in an effort to locate a source in position to replace recently deceased [redacted] who formerly provided coverage of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) as well as New Left and black extremists. Relet requests that consideration also be given to a similar canvass with respect to a Negro source suitable for penetrative coverage of black extremists in your territory. You ask that only the highest caliber individuals whose development and work have been firmly established be considered.

In order that the Bureau may properly evaluate your request, you should promptly furnish a detailed analysis of existing coverage in the areas referred to above. Advise as to the current numerical strength of the ACGM, the extent of its activities at present and the degree of coverage including identities of informants whom you state have been redirected from the ACGM to fields of black extremism and the New Left. A similar analysis should be provided with respect to the black extremists in your territory. Comment as to whether the services of a Negro informant would be justifiable on a full-time basis. Also advise as to the type of cover which he might use successfully in Mexico and extent to which his involvement in black extremist activity would be acceptable to Mexican authorities without creating a possibly embarrassing situation.

Upon receipt of your reply, prompt consideration will be given to the request in relet.

- 1 - Foreign Liaison Desk (Route through for review)
- 1 - 100-422116 (American Communist Group in Mexico)
- 1 - [redacted]

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Letter to Mexico City
Re: Legal Attache Informants
Mexico City

NOTE:

Relet advises that owing to the death of a key white American citizen informant who provided coverage on the ACGM as well as black extremist and New Left groups, the Mexico City Office desires a replacement for him if possible through canvass of domestic field offices. In this regard relet points out that although some success has been achieved in penetrating black extremist activity by white informants, such success is far short of what could be achieved with an individual of the Negro race. Legat requests that a similar canvass of the domestic field be made for an established Negro source suitable and amenable for work in Mexico City.

We are instructing Legat to furnish additional information needed for adequate evaluation of his request and possible action thereon.

LEGAT, Mexico City [redacted]

10-27-70

100-422116
Director, FBI [redacted]

1-Mr. Nasca

**LEGAL ATTACHE INFORMANTS
MEXICO CITY**

ReMEX letters 8-7-70 and 10-8-70 and Bulet 8-25-70.

Bureau has carefully considered your request concerning possibility of canvassing domestic field in effort to locate source in position to replace recently deceased Mexican informant who formerly provided coverage of the American Communist Group in Mexico, as well as New Left and black extremists, and your request for canvass of field with respect to Negro source suitable for penetrative coverage of black extremists in your territory. You requested that only the highest caliber individual whose development and work have been firmly established be considered.

In view of the pressing need for informants of the type you seek in this country, no further consideration is being given to your request.

You should continue to make every effort to redirect available security informants as indicated in your 8-7-70 letter and as instructed in Bulet 8-23-70 captioned "Legal Attache Informants, Mexico City Office, Improving Manpower Controls - Cost Reduction," to provide the coverage you need.

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Letter to Legat, Mexico City
Re: LEGAL ATTACHE INFORMANTS
MEXICO CITY

NOTE:

Mexico advised that owing to death of key white informant who provided coverage on American Communist Group in Mexico, as well as black extremists and New Left coverage, Mexico City desired replacement for him, possibly through canvass of domestic field offices. Mexico also requested similar canvass for established Negro source suitable and amenable for work in Mexico City. In addition to its request, Mexico, upon Bureau instructions, provided analysis of its existing coverage in the areas referred to above. In view of the pressing need for such informants in the U. S., particularly in the black extremists and New Left fields, we should give no further consideration to Mexico City Office's request. Mexico City is presently redirecting a number of its informants and possibly it can supply the coverage it needs through this redirection.

DIRECTOR, FBI (14-2965)

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LEGAT, MEXICO CITY (14-2) (RUC)

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ENCLOSURES

Enclosed are 12 copies of an LHM dated as above and captioned, "MEMBERS OF AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO AID MEMBERS OF U. S. ARMED FORCES IN OPPOSING WAR IN VIETNAM." Also enclosed is one copy each of "Gigline" and "Counterdraft" mentioned in the LHM.

REFERENCE

Mexico City letter and LHM 9/5/69 captioned, "CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF," Bufile 100-12632.

ADMINISTRATIVE

CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF appears to be a leader of the ACGM and has been involved in activities opposing the draft. Referenced Mexico City LHM contains a summary of some of these activities.

No information has been developed which would indicate that Mexican nationals are participating in any way in an organized movement to disrupt U. S. military programs.

An inked notation on the first page of "Gigline" which is enclosed contains the question, "Did [redacted] get and show you letter regarding GI papers?"

This notation was not included in the LHM since it tends to disclose the identity of the source. [redacted] probably refers to [redacted] an associate of the ACGM in San Miguel de Allende, Guanajuato.

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Information copies of the LHM are being furnished to Los Angeles and El Paso since it is not known if these offices have already conducted investigation regarding the underground newspapers mentioned in the LHM.

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CLASSIFICATION

The enclosed LHM is classified ~~confidential~~ as it contains information received from sources of continuing value, the unauthorized disclosure of which could adversely affect the national defense.

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Copies of the enclosed LHM are being furnished to the American Embassy, [redacted] Defense Attache in Mexico City.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

March 31, 1970

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MEXICO AID MEMBERS OF U. S. ARMED FORCES
IN OPPOSING WAR IN VIETNAM

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According to T-1 and T-2, who have furnished reliable information in the past, the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) is a loose association, of a predominantly social nature, of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for the international communist movement.

T-1 advised on January 14, 1970, that Charles Small, a leading member of the ACGM, has been circulating a letter to other members of the ACGM which is an appeal to support both financially and with ideas a movement to oppose the war and to assist members of the U. S. Armed Forces who are anxious to take direct action in opposition to their position.

This letter being circulated to associates of the ACGM is a typewritten letter and its contents are set out below:

"As you know, the GI movement is growing. Protests and demonstrations, up to virtual insurrections, occur regularly in stockades and bases everywhere, in defiance of reprisals, courtmartials and imprisonment. It is an opposition unheard of in U. S. history - and is growing in depth and

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"breadth. Because their dissent is moral and legal the Military cannot halt it. Efforts to stifle the GI's anti-war activities have, in part, caused its further growth.

"THE GI CHALLENGE TO THE MILITARY IS THUS A
MAJOR ANTI-WAR FRONT."

"Nixon's demagoguery may unbalance some sectors of society, but the GI's are never taken in, nor is their ongoing opposition ever curtailed. This 'threat' to the Pentagon is explained, stimulated and supported by GI newspapers, which are published, written and distributed by the GI himself. These 50 different under (and over) ground newspapers are the GI's principal weapon and more will flower as Vietnam goes on. They circulate on all bases in the U. S. and abroad. And nowhere does the issue of FREEDOM for the Blacks connect with PEACE as in the Armed Forces. The old slogan of black-and-white-unite-and-fight has become alive in the Military. GI papers tell of many incidents of such unity of purpose and action against the commonly hated war and its instigators. 'Race riots,' as the Brass puts it, do break out, but that too, in the final analysis when examined, has as its major thrust opposition to American racism and imperialism.

"Apart from Canada, which has over 60,000 young Americans of draft-age (they have their GI newspapers too); apart from the 25,000 enlisted men held in Army stockades (doesn't include the Marines, others); there are in the U. S. itself some 30,000 GI's who in '69 deserted the Armed Forces. 'These are not the militants' to quote the Army 'because the radicals and militants stay inside the Army to undermine the Armed Forces from within.' (NY Times). It is clear that even if the GI opposition doesn't prove to be the Achilles heel of the Pentagon; even if it cannot bring a halt to Vietnam, it MUST nevertheless contribute enormously, in every meaningful sense, to

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"wholesome developments for the immediate and the future. To read some of the GI's letters and articles in their papers is an education for everyone, GI or not, as one notes how non-political youth quickly develop into the most militant all-out opponents to War and Racism and Imperialism.

"It is this GI anti-war front therefore that requires some priority support. None of us would have the temerity to suggest how the GI's should run their papers or what 'line' to adopt, for their very existence established their correctness. But what they can use (not alone to survive but to expand the scope of their operations) is some solid financial assistance from us who are away from the U. S. scene and action, in the main, but who in this way can contribute to the over-all peace movement in a very, very meaningful way as indicated above.

"There is already available (some money) but there are over 50 newspapers to be covered and solid sums are still required. A complete list of all GI newspapers, everywhere, will be . . . us as we go along. Already some 9 GI newspapers have received their first contris from here and you simply cannot imagine what a lift this had been! We want to dis-pense funds organizedly to all GI publications, amounts depending on size, need, effectiveness, etc. AND YOU CAN AND MUST HELP. First tackle yourself, then with names you wish to suggest (check with us first to avoid criss-cross and to insure anonymity). All of us here are now provided with great opportunity to get into the fight against the obscenity that is Vietnam. Would any of you like to get subs to any of the GI newspapers? We can arrange to have them mailed to your home.

"Now all the foregoing is not meant to downgrade other Peace work or groups, since all of it ties in and helps one another. The March Against Death, for

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"example, must have had an enormous impact on all GI's as they considered their role when reading of all those names that were dropped into a casket in the Nov. Washington demonstration.

"We've put all this into writing so that you can digest, think about, it, and follow thru with this as a guide with friends (whom you can involve. Also so that you may be in a better position to suggest or comment with ideas of your own. We hope this start on the project outlined above will get underway everywhere since, unfortunately, no such organized analysis or attention, apart from bits of info from here and there, presently exists, so far as we know. Any suggestions, ideas?")

The source stated that handwritten notations appeared on the typewritten letter part of which is contained in brackets above. The source said that the following handwritten notation appears at the top of the typewritten letter as follows:

"Can you also take this up with [] (use the letter) and [] to tackle [] Any others you all can tackle. This, as you can see, is an important work, as I see it and as we're projecting it for us people living here."

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The source additionally advised that the typewritten letter is signed "Charles" and apparently refers to Charles Small.

The names [] apparently refer to [] all of whom are associates of the ACGM.

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T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 23, 1970, that Charles Small had been circulating two "underground" newspapers called "Gigline" and "Counterdraft".

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MEMBERS OF AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN
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IN OPPOSING WAR IN VIETNAM

Volume II, Number 7 copy of "Counterdraft" is dated January-February, 1970, and sells for 30 cents. The masthead reads, "Counterdraft - An Information Exchange For Draft Counselors and Resisters." It has the address "Comm Pac, P. O. Box 74881, Los Angeles, California 90004." The Volume I, Number 4 issue of "Gigline" is described by that paper as "Voice of the Fort Bliss GI." On page 20 of this paper the address is recorded as P. O. Box 31094, Summit Heights Station, El Paso, Texas 79931. T-3 made available copies of the above-mentioned newspapers.

The source additionally advised that the front page of this issue of "Gigline" has an inked notation by a person he assumes is Charles Small. This notation is "Fort Bliss, El Paso, Texas. This is one of more than 60 smaller GI newspapers ..." These papers appear to be resistance type publications within the U. S. Armed Forces containing items regarding opposition to the war in Vietnam and the Selective Service System.

T-1, T-2 and T-3 as of March 18, 1970, had no additional information regarding the activities of Charles Small or other associates of the ACGM with respect to activities to aid members of the U. S. Armed Forces in opposing the war in Vietnam.

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TO : Director, FBI (100-358086)

DATE: 3/10/70

FROM : Legat, Mexico City (66-364)

3/24/70 (JFK)
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SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS (X)(u) 7 of 7

ReBulet 1/29/70 captioned as above, which in part advises that material relating to various individuals similar to that enclosed with ReBulet, should best be incorporated in an LHM under the captioned security subject with whom the individual in question was in contact, or in a general memorandum suitable for dissemination under the caption, "AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO (ACGM), SM - C", Bufile 100-422116. (X)(u)

This matter has been given very careful consideration by this office. In the past this office has endeavored to conform with the Bureau's instructions as set forth in Bulet 2/23/65 captioned "CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF, SM - C (Bufile 100-12632); [redacted] SM - C (Bufile [redacted]), in handling communications relating to American residents who are in contact with ACGM associates either directly or by mail, as shown by our informant coverage [redacted] (X)(u)

In Bulet of 2/23/65, the attention of this office was called to the fact that communications had been submitted under the caption of the SMOLIKOFFs relating to their contacts and communications with other individuals wherein the contents primarily concerned the other individuals who were located within the jurisdiction of the various field offices. The Bureau pointed out that the practice of grouping information which primarily concerns individuals other than the subject of the case file creates administrative problems in handling that information, both at the Bureau and in the field offices having investigative interests in the matter. The Bureau desired, therefore, that when information concerning persons in the United States was received incidental to investigations effecting Mexico City subjects, that information should be submitted under the caption of the individual or individuals involved and it was desired, therefore, that future communications should bear individual captions. (X)(u)

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Past experience has shown that contact with ACGM associates on the part of visitors from the United States is frequently of more than usual significance. As the Bureau is aware, the ACGM is not a formal organization and therefore, has no "members". The name American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) is a term developed by informants of this office several years ago to designate the American communists who had for one reason or another left the United States and taken up residence in Mexico. Those individuals were not merely ordinary cell members of the CP USA prior to their arrival in Mexico but occupied leadership positions in various functions of the CP USA. While in Mexico they have continued to maintain their communist-oriented ideology and firm desire to see the government of the United States overthrown. The bifurcation of the communist movement in the United States resulting from the development of the Chinese communist theories and programs, as well as the development of the "New Left" and the appearance of militant black nationalism, is reflected among the associates of the ACGM. Although these individuals vary in their support of the Soviets, the Chinese, the New Left and the militant black nationalists, they still retain the common denominator of dedication to the overthrow of the U. S. government. Although not openly engaged in subversive activities in Mexico in order to avoid being expelled by the Mexican government, they have continued to support subversive movements in the United States by giving both moral and financial support to those subversive groups. (S)(u)

The ACGM is a very tightly-knit group and coverage as well as attempts to infiltrate informants into the group, has shown that they accept on an equal basis only visitors previously known to them as "fellow revolutionaries" or who come to Mexico well documented and recommended by "trusted" comrades in the U. S. Any person to whom suspicion is attached through failure to obtain proper recommendations is ostracized. (S)(u)

In view of the makeup of this group, coverage has been concentrated largely on the principal figures who are contact points for Americans coming to Mexico, such as CHARLES SMOLIKOFF and [redacted] (Bufile [redacted])

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as through live informants operated by this office who likewise are able to furnish some coverage of CEDRIC BELFRAGE in Cuernavaca. While the ACGM has had no recognized leader since the death of SAMUEL BROOKS (Bufile 100-290429) in 1963, CHARLES SMOLIKOFF, who has endeavored to install himself as a leader, has become a principal point of contact for many American communists visiting Mexico. He has also become involved in communist-oriented "civil rights" groups in the United States and is sympathetic with the militant black nationalist groups. This office discounts his claim made during the investigation of LEE HARVEY OSWALD for the murder of President KENNEDY that all American communists visiting Mexico contact him. This is considered to be braggadocio on his part, but it is recognized that in fact many American communists do contact him.

(u) [redacted] is considered by this office to be a key figure, although she may be one of the few exceptions since it is not known whether she occupied a key position in the CP USA prior to coming to Mexico. In Mexico, however, she has joined the Mexican Communist Party along with her husband, [redacted] and she is active in the underground Mexican communist movement. She also serves as liaison between the Communist Party of Mexico and the ACGM. Even more important in the opinion of this office is the fact that in recent years she has adopted the philosophy of the militant black nationalists in the United States and is contacted by such individuals when they visit Mexico. In fact, she was reported to have been invited to go to the United States to assist in setting up an underground organization for the Black Panther Party, an invitation which she did not accept because of pressure from her husband who is opposed to her endeavoring to go to the United States.

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CEDRIC BELFRAGE was selected as a prime target for coverage whenever possible in view of his position in the international communist movement. BELFRAGE, as the Bureau is aware, is a British subject who was formally deported from the United States by U. S. INS for communist activities. While in the United States he at one time served as editor of "The Guardian". He is an internationally known writer who at the present time is operating an unlicensed boarding house in Cuernavaca together with [redacted]. They accept as guests in their boarding house only those people who come to them very highly recommended politically, or persons with whom they were in the past engaged in pro-communist activities.

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While coverage is concentrated insofar as possible on the SMOLIKOFFs, [redacted] and the BELERAGES information is available through informant coverage [redacted]

~~S~~ Concerning other associates of the ACGM who although not as prominent as contact points are nevertheless as selective in the political orientation of the people they accept in their homes and with whom they freely associate. Admittedly, coverage is not complete enough to reveal all of the subversive statements and activities of the American visitors who are in contact with these ACGM associates, but it is believed that their acceptance by the established ACGM associates is a very good indication of the political orientation of those visitors. Since the visiting Americans come from widely scattered parts of the United States, this office is in no position to evaluate their subversive potential in the absence of prior correspondence from the Bureau or the domestic field. Whenever any information is received which might assist in identifying the visitor or the locale from which he or she originates in the U. S., this office has furnished that information to the Bureau and the interested field office for information and any action deemed desirable. Even though the limited coverage available to this office in some cases does not reveal actual subversive activities on the part of the visitors, the fact that they are accepted as contacts by associates of the ACGM is sufficient grounds to alert the Bureau and the interested field offices concerning the foreign travel of probable security subjects. ~~(U)~~

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This office remains vigilant to fulfill the Bureau's responsibilities in detecting and identifying potential couriers, Espionage agents and individuals who might be operating in a covert intelligence capacity. To satisfy this responsibility, logical sources are constantly reminded to remain alert to the identification of individuals visiting Mexico and who contact subjects of interest residing in Mexico. Because of the subversive potential of ACGM associates and these visitors, it is believed that initial inquiries by the domestic office involved would be desirable whenever possible to determine the residence and employment of the visitor and review records for previous subversive activity. A determination as to whether, in the light of information developed, the visitor represents a danger

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to the security of the United States which would necessitate additional investigation is, of course, not for this office to make. When information developed locally is inadequate to determine whether the visitor involved is oriented primarily toward the CP USA, the New Left, or the militant black nationalists, we have in the past reported their presence in Mexico under the SM - C character in view of the communist-orientation of the ACGM. (S)(u)

The system utilized by this office of advising the Bureau of foreign travel of persons suspected of being communists or who contact ACGM associates where no other substantial subversive information is developed in Mexico, has resulted in various instances of this office subsequently being advised those individuals were included in various sections of the Security Index. This result goes back to 1952 when [] (Bufile []) was first reported as planning to come to Mexico, through December 1969 when [] (Bufile []) was reported as visiting this country. In the intervening period many other persons later identified as Security Index subjects have surfaced as a result of contact with the ACGM as well as many subjects of investigative interest to the Domestic Field. (S)(u)

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It is believed that the system of advising the Bureau and the pertinent field office of whatever information this office can develop concerning American visitors in contact with the ACGM has been fruitful even though limited identification information is available and no information is developed during the reported contacts in Mexico showing other substantial subversive activities in Mexico on the subject's part. It is for this reason that this office submitted a letter dated 6/25/69 captioned [] SM - C" relative to contacts between that individual and []. Although the contact as reported was devoid of subversive comments, it was felt the Bureau should be advised because of the nature of [] activities. The New York Office subsequently responded by letter dated 8/4/69 advising that [] was identical with [] on the RI - B in that office. (S)(u)

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Sources of this office in San Miguel de Allende, Guanajuato, Mexico, have been alerted to our interest in the (u)

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identification of any American citizens who might come under suspicion as possible black nationalists since that community is attracting an unusually large number of dissident Americans, some of whom are Negroes. As a result, they reported the presence of one [redacted] from Milwaukee. No actual subversive information could at that time be attributed to that individual by the sources, but due to suspicion based on his general attitude and activities, the information was reported to the Bureau under [redacted] caption. It was subsequently determined that this individual was identical to [redacted] of interest to the Minneapolis office, whose presence in Mexico was previously unknown. (u)

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With regard to the enclosures submitted with referenced Bulet of 1/29/70, it is regretted that the reasons why those communications were submitted to the Bureau were not originally clarified by this office, but the following observations are submitted for the Bureau's consideration: (u)

Regarding [redacted] SM - C", Mexico City file [redacted] this office has in the past proceeded under the assumption that only in instances involving very common names would an indices search by a domestic office or another Legal Attache's Office be impractical. As noted above, this office believes that direct contact by an American visitor with an ACGM associate should be brought to the attention of the Bureau and the interested domestic offices where, based on information available in the files, a determination could be made whether any additional action is necessary or whether the data should be retained for possible future reference. (u)

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In the case of [redacted] the information developed in Mexico pointed out he was in support of communist causes in the United States and in favor of the Students for a Democratic Society and the Black Panther Party. It was, therefore, felt that his presence in Mexico should be brought to the attention of the Bureau and the appropriate field office. (u)

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In the case of ALLEN JAMES ARONSON (Bufile 100-43381), information concerning his plans to visit Mexico in March 1970 to obtain material from members of the Spanish Communist Party (u)

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in Mexico for a book he is writing on ED BARSKY, should be brought to the attention of the Bureau and the New York Office since ARONSON is a former editor of "The Guardian" and both he and BARSKY have been under investigation by the New York Office. (u)

In the case of [redacted] it is felt their presence in Mexico should be called to the attention of the Chicago Office since they were traveling with [redacted] a communist known to be of interest to Chicago. (u)

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In the case of [redacted] it is felt that in view of his degree of association with [redacted] as well as with [redacted] both of whom are known to the Bureau, might indicate that a preliminary inquiry would be desired by San Francisco. It is regretted that the informant apparently inadvertently misspelled the subject's name as [redacted]. It has been subsequently determined from personnel of this office who formerly worked in Chicago that he is [redacted] who as the Bureau is aware was a prominent functionary of the CP USA, Illinois District, for many years and would therefore be readily recognizable to Security Agents in Chicago and San Francisco. (u)

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In the case of [redacted] it is felt that the degree of her association with [redacted] who is known to the Bureau, coupled with her activity in the "peace movement" should be brought to the attention of the Bureau and the domestic field so that consideration could be given to possible need for preliminary inquiry in the event she was not already known to the domestic field. (u)

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In the case of [redacted] it was felt her regular visits with the CEDRIC BELFRAGES, identified above, would be substantial enough cause for consideration to be given for a possible preliminary inquiry in the event she was not already under investigation. (u)

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In the case of [redacted] it was believed his close association with [redacted] coupled with his rather dramatic opposition to the draft, would indicate pro-communist motivation which would be of interest to the Bureau and the appropriate field office. (u)

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In the case of [redacted] it is noted he indicated a desire to contact individuals in Mexico City connected with the Students for a Democratic Society and "young Negroes", a (u)

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combination which would indicate New Left orientation. It was therefore felt that his presence in Mexico should be reported in order to determine whether further investigation might be necessary. (u)

In the case of [redacted] the only allegation was her association with [redacted] reportedly a member of the Black Panther Party who is in Mexico. It was felt this information should be furnished to the Bureau and the domestic field in case [redacted] was of investigative interest. (u)

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The remaining individuals whose presence in Mexico was reported among the enclosures with reBulet of 1/29/70, were reported to the Bureau due to their contact with ACGM associates. (u)

In the future when information concerning an individual in contact with ACGM associates comes to the attention of this office where no data is available to aid in the identification of that individual or establish some indication of his residence, UACB the information received will be incorporated in an appropriate communication under the caption of the security subject with whom the individual is in contact. If, however, the information received includes data which would assist in identifying the individual or the community from which he comes, UACB this information will be incorporated in an appropriate communication under the caption of the individual involved for the information of the Bureau and the pertinent domestic office for any action deemed advisable. (u)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI [REDACTED]

FROM : *N* Legat, Mexico City [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: LEGAL ATTACHE/ INFORMANTS
MEXICO CITY

DATE: 10/8/70

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Rebulet 8/25/70, and Mexico City letter 8/7/70, latter captioned "Informants for Mexico City."

Rebulet instructs this office to furnish a detailed analysis of existing coverage of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) as well as New Left and black extremists.

With respect to the "current numerical strength of the ACGM," the Bureau is respectfully reminded that the ACGM, not being an organization, thereby has no official membership. Individuals regarded as associates are those who have a past history of subversive activity in the United States and continue their activity in Mexico through contact with current CP USA personalities and support of important phases of the international communist movement. These associates total 75, 25 of whom are included on the Security Index.

The Bureau's attention is directed to the report of SA HAROLD RUBENSTEIN, dated 1/26/70, and captioned "American Communist Group in Mexico" wherein the extent of ACGM activities are set forth in detail; however, in response to the request for this information in rebulet the following is furnished:

New Left

CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF (BUFILE 100-12632) to the present time has evidenced complete support of the activities of his sons' involvement in this area in the United States, and he, himself, has solicited contributions and support in Mexico for protest activities on United States Armed Force bases. In the past SMOLIKOFF set a goal of \$1,500.00 (U.S.)

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to be collected from ACGM associates to aid individuals opposed to the United States draft.

Black Nationalism

SMOLIKOFF and [] (BUFILE []) actively support the Black Panther Party (BPP) in addition to other ACGM associates. Through [] and [] (BUFILE []) aid and comfort were furnished [] (BUFILE []), a Bureau fugitive (recently apprehended in the United States) and violent advocate of Black extremism, while he was in Mexico City prior to his apprehension.

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In addition to SMOLIKOFF, [] this office is conducting active investigations of 25 individuals who reside in or have visited Mexico in the 157-classification. One of these subjects is [] (BUFILE []), a Canadian Black Nationalist who has made four visits to Mexico this year.

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[] (BUFILE []), a Negro residing in Mexico City, is a free lance writer who alleged that he was a BPP member. In the recent past he has made statements expressing a violent solution with regard to Whites in efforts by Negroes to achieve equality. He maintains a close, friendly relationship with [] who has given him aid and comfort since his arrival in Mexico.

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Relations With Satellite Diplomatic Establishments in Mexico

Several ACGM associates have contacts with the Czechoslovak and Cuban embassies in Mexico City. Those with contacts at the Cuban Embassy have assisted some individuals in their efforts to travel from the United States to Cuba via Mexico. [] (BUFILE []) in August, 1969, was aided by [] through the latter's contacts at the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City in planning her trip to Cuba.

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During an East German Trade Mission (BUFILE []) exhibit in Mexico City recently, one of the persons in the Mission, [] attempted to contact an ACGM associate, [] (BUFILE []).

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Literature and Propaganda

SMOLIKOFF, [] and several other ACGM associates have been successful in obtaining literature of the BPP, other Black extremist groups, and publications opposing the United States Armed Forces which are loaned to other ACGM associates.

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Present Informant Coverage of the Above

[] have been the sources for the above information as well as former []. It is noted [] has been discontinued; [] deceased. All of these sources have been repeatedly instructed to direct their attention to Black extremism and the New Left in Mexico in accordance with instructions emanating from the February, 1969, inspection of this office.

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Rebulet instructed that an analysis with respect to black extremists in Mexico should be provided similar to that regarding the ACGM. With the exception of "numerical strength," it is felt that the information desired may be found in the above comments under respective headings. Subjects of the Negro race who actually reside in Mexico and are subjects of current investigations because of their advocacy of black extremism number only 5. An additional 5 are whites under investigation because of this advocacy. An additional 15 subjects who have visited Mexico are being investigated by this office because of the nature of their contacts with subversive individuals here.

The informant coverage for black extremists in Mexico City is dependent solely on [] reside in San Miguel de Allende, Guanajuato. Significantly, instructions emanating from the July, 1970, inspection of this office noted that "intensified concentration of necessary informant coverage must be continued on those individuals such as [] who has been identified as a strong supporter of the Black Power movement in the United States." The loss of [] leaves this burden on [] alone.

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Since [] is White and not acceptable to some Negroes, and in view of the needs of this office with respect to coverage of black extremism, it is believed that the services of a Negro informant would be justifiable on a full-time basis. The type of cover which a Negro informant might successfully use in Mexico could best be determined after the background of a potential source becomes known. It is noted that there are and have been United States Negroes residing in Mexico either gainfully employed or as "rentistas" (living on an established income from investments or their sources).

Rebulet instructed this office to advise the extent to which a Negro informant's involvement in black extremist activity would be acceptable to Mexican authorities without creating a possibly embarrassing situation. It is felt that with prudence, caution, and good judgment (characteristics and deportment required of all sources of this office) a Negro informant would avoid bringing his activities to the attention of Mexican authorities, a prerequisite of all sources controlled by this office.

The Bureau is therefore requested to give consideration to the request in referenced Mexico City letter.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3-10-71

FROM : LEGAT, MEXICO

SUBJECT: CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF, aka
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MexFile 100-1535

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ENCLOSURES

Enclosed to the Bureau are 15 copies of an LHM
dated and captioned as above.

REFERENCE

Miami letter to the Director, 12-18-70.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The Bureau's attention is directed to letter from
Assistant Attorney General J. WALTER YEAGLEY, Internal
Security Division, to the Bureau dated 7-10-69 in the
caption "CHARLES SMALL; SEDITION," wherein information was
requested pertaining to the organization with which SMALL
was associated which reportedly gave assistance to military
personnel refusing to go to Vietnam. That letter was
answered by Legat, Mexico, letter and LHM in the "CHARLES
NELSON SMOLIKOFF" caption under date of 9-5-69.

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cc of LHM to [redacted] SS, Army

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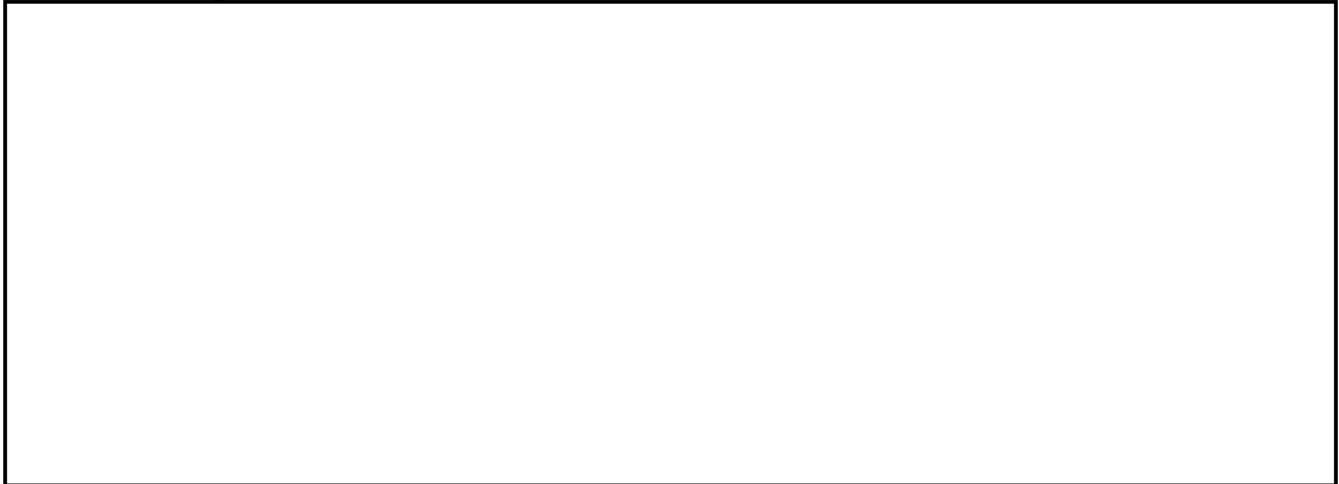
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It is suggested that CHARLES SMALL's involvement with the American Servicemen's Union, as reflected in the enclosed LHM may also fall within the meaning of the Assistant Attorney General's letter of 7-10-69.



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Legat, Mexico, has case files on all persons mentioned on Pages 10 and 11 of the LHM, as associates of the ACGM.

SOURCES

Identity	Location
T-1: [redacted]	[redacted]
T-2: [redacted]	100-1535
T-3: [redacted]	[redacted]
T-4: [redacted]	100-1821-25
T-5: [redacted]	100-2626-4
T-6: Detroit Anonymous	100-2626-4
T-7: [redacted]	100-613E-6
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COPIES

~~X~~ Copies of the enclosed LHM are being furnished locally to the American Embassy [redacted], Mexico City.

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Information copies of instant letter and LHM are furnished to the recipient Offices for the following reasons:

DETROIT - In view of references to GEORGE CROCKETT on Page 8 of the LHM and to [redacted] on Pages 8 and 9. GEORGE CROCKETT is Subject of BuFile 100-367443, Detroit File 100-14857. [redacted] is Subject of BuFile [redacted] Detroit File [redacted].

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LOS ANGELES - For its file on Subject CHARLES SMOLIKOFF in view of the reference to [redacted] mentioned on Page 9 of the LHM and in view of reference to SAM KUSHNER on Pages 9 and 10, whose identity is believed well known to both the Bureau and Los Angeles.

MIAMI - With respect to files of both Subjects, in view of the fact Miami is Origin on Subject investigations, it being noted that both Subjects are on the SI, Priority II of the Miami Office.

NEW YORK - For its file on Subject CHARLES SMOLIKOFF, New York File 100-11915, and in view of the references pertaining to [redacted] on Page 5 of the LHM, and to the American Servicemen's Union, with headquarters in New York City.

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New York is referred to Legat, Mexico, letter to the Bureau, copies for New York, dated 8-18-69, in the dual captions [redacted] SM - C and [redacted] SM - C, who, as of July, 1969, were in contact with both Subjects and at that time [redacted] address was reported as [redacted]
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PHILADELPHIA - In view of the reference on Page 5 to [redacted]
[redacted] of the Women's International League for Peace and
Freedom, located in Philadelphia. With respect to [redacted]
reference is made to Legat, Mexico, letter to the Bureau with
copies to Philadelphia, dated 1-22-71 in the caption [redacted]
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At Mexico, D.F.

Will continue to follow activities of Subjects
through sources.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Washington, 25, D.C.

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March 10, 1971

CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF;

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This document contains neither
recommendations nor conclusions of
the FBI. It is the property of
the FBI and is loaned to your agency;
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distributed outside your agency.

RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

During March, 1971, T-1, who has furnished
reliable information in the past, advised that CHARLES and
[REDACTED] continue to live at
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CHARLES SMALL continues to operate the tourist gift shop
at Calle Niza No. 47, Mexico, D.F.

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It has previously been ascertained that CHARLES
and [REDACTED] moved to Mexico City from Miami Beach,
Florida, in the fall of 1954, and that they have maintained
permanent residence in Mexico City since that time. CHARLES
SMALL is 60 years of age, having been born on March 16,
1911, in Brooklyn, New York, and [REDACTED]
years of age, having been born on [REDACTED]

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CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF:

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Also during March, 1971, T-1 advised that [REDACTED] b6
[REDACTED] was reportedly living in California in the Los Angeles b7C
area, and was not known to be presently employed. [REDACTED]
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ACTIVITIES OF CHARLES SMALL IN THE
ANTI-MILITARY MOVEMENT IN THE UNITED STATES

T-2, a confidential source abroad, advised that during November, 1970, CHARLES SMALL indicated to his friends that he was very much occupied with his interest in supporting the anti-war and anti-military movement in the United States and in fact was spending a large amount of personal funds in support of that movement.

In December, 1970, T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that CHARLES SMALL had been distributing to friends copies of the book, "Up Against the Brass," written by ANDY STAPP. This source advised that SMALL had already distributed about 100 of these books, and enclosed with each copy a mimeographed letter, copy of which follows:

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This book is our gift to help bring the GI resistance into better focus.

As you may know, the GI movement is growing. Protests and demonstrations occur regularly on bases everywhere in defiance of reprisals, court-martials and imprisonment. It is an opposition unheard of in U. S. history and has become a major anti-war front, news of which is more and more suppressed.

This challenge to the Military is stimulated and supported by GI newspapers and is given organizational form by GI rank-and filers. The most widely circulated GI paper is "The Bond", the voice of the American Servicemen's Union, whose organizers go, on call, to virtually every base at home and abroad. [redacted]

[redacted] He is but one of a breed of incredibly heroic youngsters who have been laying themselves on the line.

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To read GI letters and articles in "The Bond" is an education for everyone, GI or not, as one notes how non-political GI's quickly develop into militant opponents to the war and to the military system in general.

The ASU currently has chapters on some 100 bases in the U.S., plus 60 bases overseas, and on 50 ships !!!

Because we believe this is an enormously important - and effective - legal movement, we urge your support, not alone for their defense, but to help them extend their influence.

Once more, the call to "organize the unorganized" is being undertaken - this time in the Military - and will be going on even when the Vietnam war ends.

Won't you join this GI movement? The need is great. You'll be hard put to find a more worthwhile cause and where so much will be accomplished with your help.

Contributions may be sent to us for forwarding, or mailed direct to "The Bond" (American Servicemen's Union), Room 538, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10010. Additionally, to be kept up to date on this GI front, you can subscribe to "The Bond" at \$6. a year for a supporting subscription.

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CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF;
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T-2 advised that in mid-November, 1970, CHARLES SMALL contacted an acquaintance named [] to request that the latter run off an additional two to three hundred copies of the mimeographed letter which SMALL enclosed with the book "Up Against the Brass," which he was distributing. The source indicated that [] has a business of his own in which he has mimeograph equipment. b6 b7C

In January, 1971, T-1 advised that CHARLES SMALL was working hard to distribute large numbers of the book, "Up Against the Brass," and he would take the time to personally explain to his contacts that this book, in conjunction with the resistance movement in the United States, would destroy the U.S. military establishment, which he regarded as a highly desirable goal. The same source advised that, in addition to distributing the book, SMALL was soliciting subscriptions to the publication called "The Bond," described as an organ of the American Servicemen's Union, with offices in New York City. Cost of subscription to the publication "The Bond" was \$6.00 a year. SMALL was enthusiastic about this publication, saying that it would weaken the military establishment, not only through its influence in the active armed forces, but also in the reserve units and the National Guard units in the United States.

T-2 advised that during December, 1970, CHARLES SMALL had indicated that some of his associates in the United States were somewhat alarmed that he, SMALL, would include what they considered to be an incriminating mimeographed letter in the books that SMALL was sending out to friends in various parts of the United States. The friends further felt that SMALL was being foolhardy in openly soliciting subscriptions in behalf of the American Servicemen's Union. The source stated that SMALL took the attitude that the letter was perfectly legal and that he did not believe his efforts in the movement against the military establishment would receive any marked response without the inclusion of the letter.

Also in December, 1970, T-2 advised that SMALL had remarked in conversation that he had already sent out over 620 copies of the book "Up Against the Brass" to people all

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over the United States, and that he was convinced that the book served a very worthwhile purpose and that his efforts were something that had to be done because of what he regarded as the tremendous importance of weakening the military influence in U.S. policy. SMALL expressed the opinion that at the base of everything wrong in the world today one could point to the U.S. military forces.

T-2 advised that in January, 1971, CHARLES SMALL continued to press his efforts in distribution of the book "Up Against the Brass" and in personal solicitation of subscriptions for the American Servicemen's Union paper "The Bond." The source noted that [redacted]

[redacted] of the American Servicemen's Union. T-2 stated that SMALL had also been in touch with an organization called the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, which has offices in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. SMALL was reported to be personally acquainted with a woman named [redacted] who holds a position with this organization in Philadelphia. It was SMALL's intention that this organization could be utilized to effect additional distribution of the book "Up Against the Brass," and SMALL made it clear that he would be willing to personally pay for as many as 1,000 of the books if the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom would undertake their distribution through its offices.

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T-2 also stated that during January, 1971, SMALL was coordinating his efforts in behalf of the American Servicemen's Union with a friend in New York City named [redacted] and it appeared that [redacted] was probably the contact in New York through which the book "Up Against the Brass" might be purchased on a wholesale basis. The source noted that the book is printed by the Simon & Schuster Company in New York City, and comes in both paperback and hard-cover editions. The copies being distributed by SMALL were the paperback variety.

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In March, 1971, T-1 stated that he had received a subscription to "The Bond," publication of the American

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Servicemen's Union, with office at Room 538, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York, as the result of a subscription made through CHARLES SMALL in Mexico City. T-1 advised that a scanning of the newspaper reflected attacks on the U.S. involvement in the Vietnamese war and numerous articles attacking the U.S. military system. The source stated that his over-all impression was that the newspaper appeared to be seditious in nature.

The same source advised that he had received two mimeographed letters from CHARLES SMALL in connection with the latter's distribution of the book "Up Against the Brass." One of these is identical to that set forth previously, and a copy of the second letter is as follows:

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Last month we sent a book "to bring the GI resistance into focus." Since then we've had comments, best summed up in this excerpt from one letter:

"...The GI book and your note gave me a sleepless night. I kept thinking my God, this GI thing CAN shake the foundations of US Imperialism...BUT... what when the war is over and what if there's a volunteer army...?"

We had noted "organizing will go on even when the Vietnam war ends." This includes future Volunteer Armed Forces. For, after all, what purpose can the Military serve in the future? And who will be the Volunteers if not those who, in the main, will need, and be responsive to, GI organizing?

There are 3,500,000 troops abroad, plus what's at US bases. GI newspapers are almost everywhere. Most widely circulated is THE BOND, voice of the American Servicemen's Union. Their organizers, all GI's, go on calls for help to bases at home and abroad. The ASU now has chapters on over 100 bases in the US plus 60 bases overseas and on 50 ships!

This GI movement mushrooms despite court-martials and prisons. But, as [redacted] has just stated: "The Peace movements still... haven't recognized that the GI movement is the Achilles heel of that war. They still haven't recognized the pivotal, tactical and strategic importance of that GI movement... They haven't raised significant amounts of money for it... There's a long road to go yet for people to recognize the real importance of the GI..."

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Indeed, the GI movement is not only the major force for Peace Now, but will restrain the Military tomorrow. A side product of this ongoing GI challenge is that many, many thousands of GI's return to their communities, when their time is up, with a clearer understanding of racism, repression and war.

Won't you join this GI movement? The need is great: for their daily defense and to help them extend their influence, even to the Reserves and the National Guard, who are being Pentagon-prepped for a repressive role at home.

Contributions may be sent to my business address above (we'll then cash your check and send our own to the ASU); or send direct to THE BOND (American Servicemen's Union), Room 538, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10010.

If you have contributed, can you contact family and friends for their help - and consider, in the light of the foregoing, enlarging your own support? Additionally, to be kept up to date on this GI front, you can subscribe to / THE BOND at \$6. a year for a supporting sub. Any ideas to spread the word?

Charles Small

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GENERAL ACTIVITIES OF CHARLES SMALL

T-2 advised that during September, 1970, CHARLES SMALL's [redacted] traveled throughout the United States and contacted numerous friends of CHARLES and [redacted]

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Among those visited by [redacted] were Mr. and [redacted] GEORGE CROCKETT, who reside in a suburb of Detroit, Michigan.

It is noted that GEORGE WILLIAM CROCKETT, JR. was one of the defense lawyers in the Smith Act trial of eleven national Communist Party leaders in New York City during 1949, and also during the Michigan Smith Act trial during 1953. CROCKETT was cited for contempt of court during the New York trial.

T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, described CROCKETT in 1957 as being closely associated with Communist Party front organizations in Detroit, Michigan.

Also, according to T-2, [redacted] while in the Detroit area, contacted [redacted] and his wife, who also live in a suburb of Detroit.

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[redacted] was described by T-5, who has furnished reliable information in the past, in November, 1943, as a member of the Communist Party in the Detroit area.

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The wife of [redacted] was described in December, 1945, by T-6, who has furnished reliable information in the past, as a member of the Communist Party for the previous seven years in the Detroit area.

In January, 1971, T-2 advised that [redacted]
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source advised that [redacted] had expressed an interest in possibly making a trip to Cuba during the summer of 1971 with the American Friends Service Committee, a peace-oriented, anti-Vietnam war group.

T-2 advised that during September, 1970, CHARLES and [redacted] SMALL were visited in Mexico City by SAM KUSHNER from Los Angeles, California.

The SAM KUSHNER who visited CHARLES and [redacted] SMALL during September, 1970, is believed identical with SAM KUSHNER of the Los Angeles, California, area, who was reported by T-7, who has furnished reliable information in the past, in October, 1970, as attending a meeting of the Communist Party of the United States--Chicano Liberation Commission, which was held in Los Angeles on October 10 and 11, 1970. T-7 advised that during that meeting in Los Angeles, KUSHNER gave a report on his recent trip to Mexico, stating that while in Mexico he had an opportunity to interview the General Secretary of the Communist Party in Mexico.

T-2 advised that during October, 1970, CHARLES SMALL indicated that he had been engaged in handling investments in Mexico for a number of friends and associates in the United States. One such associate was mentioned as [redacted] who lives in [redacted] and who indicated he would furnish SMALL \$80,000 for investment in Mexico. SMALL indicated that the current rate of interest for investments in Mexico City ran about 13 percent.

SMALL also indicated that he had invested considerable sums in Mexico City for [redacted] and wife of [redacted]
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T-2 stated that most of the investments made by CHARLES SMALL for his friends in the United States are handled through the investment counseling firm [redacted] with office at Hamburgo 116, Mexico City.

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CONTACTS OF CHARLES AND [REDACTED] SMALL WITH
MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO
DURING THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER, 1970 TO MARCH, 1971

According to T-8, who has furnished reliable information in the past, the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) is a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for the international communist movement.

T-1 and T-2 have advised that during the period September, 1970, to March, 1971, CHARLES and [REDACTED] SMALL have been in contact with a considerable number of associates of the ACGM in Mexico City, including the following:

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[REDACTED]
SAM and [REDACTED] NOVICK, of [REDACTED]
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ASA and [REDACTED] ZATZ, of Mexico City

FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, of Mexico City
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GEORGE and [REDACTED] KROTZER, of Cuernavaca

CEDRIC BELFRAGE, of Cuernavaca
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On 4/16/71 inquiry at the Passport Section, American Embassy, Mexico City, revealed no new passports had been issued to either of subjects. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Although at the time of issuance the passport was valid for three years, such passports have been automatically extended for a period of five years, thereby making a renewal unnecessary for the trip to Spain in May, 1971.

Information pertaining to CHARLES SMALL as reflected in Mexico City file indicates he was born 3/16/11 in Brooklyn, New York, and had been issued U. S. passport J707346 on 6/6/68 at San Francisco, California.

It is noted that CHARLES SMALL is a Priority II SI subject of the Miami Division. SMALL and [REDACTED] have been continually active with the American Communist group in Mexico since they moved their residence to Mexico City from Miami Beach in 1954. In addition, CHARLES SMALL has been actively engaged in the anti-military movement in the United States. In this regard he has been reported to have distributed large numbers of the book "Up Against the Brass," [REDACTED] of the American Servicemen's Union (ASU), an organization with headquarters in New York City, which engages in propaganda among the military forces against the military establishment in the United States.

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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will report any information coming to the attention of Miami concerning activities of CHARLES SMALL during his planned visit approximately 5/1 - 6/71 and again about the beginning of June, 1971.

LEGAT, MADRID

Copies of this airtel are submitted for transmittal to Legat, Madrid, to alert that office to the proposed visit of subjects to Spain during May, 1971.

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